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OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON K.C.R. DISASTER

At Least Seventy-Seven Known To Have Lost Their Lives In Terrible Panic

SOLDIERS AID IN SUCCOURING VICTIMS

It was officially revealed by Major R. D. Walker, general manager of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, in a statement to the "China Mail" this afternoon that, as far as is known, 77 persons lost their lives in the express disaster on Saturday afternoon.

SOME APPEAR TO HAVE DIED IN JUMPING FROM THE TRAIN, BUT THE MAJORITY WERE TRAPPED IN THE TERRIBLE PANIC WHICH SPREAD, AND WERE BURNED TO DEATH, MANY BODIES BEING UNRECOGNISABLE.

THE OFFICIAL STATEMENT FOLLOWS:

The fire took place on the 12.45 train which arrived in Sheklung on time. The train left Sheklung three minutes late, due to taking water and left at 3.03 p.m., with the train in the following order:

Engine, water-wagon, British Section 3rd-class No. 43, B.S. 3rd-class No. 9, Chinese Section 3rd-class, No. 92, C.S. No. 87, C.S. No. 90, B.S. 2nd-class No. 22.

The carriages burnt out were Nos. 9, 92 and 87.

The train passed Shek Li Kau, 58.47 kilometres from Canton at 3.11 p.m. A green flag was exhibited by the station staff. The fire commenced at or near this halt.

STOPPED IN HALF KILOMETRE

The driver stopped the train within half a kilometre. It was discovered when a fireman looked round and saw the flames.

One fireman jumped off before the train stopped and was by the third carriage when the engine was brought to a standstill.

He ran to Carriage No. 87 and cut the rest of the train off from that point.

He then went back and disconnected No. 43, the first carriage. This carriage was then drawn by the engine clear of the fire on to Shek Tai Station and a message

was sent from there at 3.25 p.m. that is, within 14 minutes of the outbreak being discovered.

SOLDIERS AID
The train was then loaded with Chinese soldiers and taken back to the scene of the disaster where the soldiers rendered excellent service in applying first aid and maintaining order.

No. 43 coach was then loaded with the injured and taken to Shek Tai, and continued to travel to and fro until all the victims had been removed.

Meanwhile, an engine had been sent from Sheklung Station at kilometre 64.6 to the scene of the accident and connected up with the unburnt coaches, which had been separated from burnt out ones and conveyed them back to Sheklung.

The Chinese authorities were able to send aid by the rolling of the Flying Dragon express which was waiting at Taishatan Station. The burning coaches were cleared from the line and the Flying Dragon left Taishatan five minutes later.

SEVENTY-SEVEN DEAD

So far as is known, 77 are dead and approximately 35 injured.

All the dead bodies were tabulated by the relief sent from Canton and carried to Canton yesterday at 11.30 a.m., accompanied by Messrs. J. Smith and I. B. Trevor.

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Man Who Escaped Hanging

Shanghai, To-day.
Atma Singh, granthi (priest) of the Pootoo Road Police Station in Shanghai, who escaped execution at Ward Road Gaol when the hangman's rope broke under his weight, has been given a commuted sentence of life imprisonment, which he will serve in the Presidency Gaol.—Reuter.

ARMISTICE AGREED

MONTH OF GRACE IN SHENSI

THE COMMUNIST PROBLEM

Shanghai, To-day.
News that Yang Hu-chen, the malcontent Shensi militarist, has agreed to an armistice until the plenary session of the C.E.C. on February 15, has been greeted with relief in all quarters.

Yang Hu-chen has pledged himself to maintain the status quo, which means that at least for the present there will be a halt in military operations, enabling negotiations for a final settlement to be carried on in a calmer atmosphere.

Yang's pledge is based upon expectations that the various controversies arising from the Sianfu revolt will be thrashed out at the C. E. C. meeting, together with the question of the status of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang.

One element of doubt concerns the attitude of the communists, which presumably will not consider themselves bound by Yang's promise.—Reuter.

WANG CHING-WEI ON WAY TO NANKING

Great Significance Attached To Development

Shanghai, To-day.
Mr. Wang Ching-wei, accompanied by Madame Wang and other close associates, left for Nanking this morning in a specially chartered Eurasia Aviation Corporation machine.

The party also includes Tseng Sung-ming and his wife. After an absence of a year, Mr. Wang's return to Nanking is regarded as an event of great significance.

Though it is doubtful whether he will agree to take a post in the Government, he is expected to participate prominently in the plenary session of the Central Executive Committee next month when the controversies arising out of the Sianfu revolt will be discussed.—Reuter.

MR. KAWAGOE IN SHANGHAI

Cancels Visit To Nanking

Shanghai, To-day.
The Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Kawagoe, has cancelled his visit to Nanking, as there can be no further Sino-Japanese negotiations until China's foreign policy is decided anew by the third plenary session in Nanking on February 15.

A Diet meeting will take place in Tokyo next week when Japan's policy towards China will be discussed.—Union News.



Although Madrid has been undergoing a siege since November, its fall appears to be still a long way off. Greatest peril to-day appears to be an internal upheaval which might disorganise the defence system. Our photo shows two militiamen of the type that have held up Franco's onslaughts for so long.

PLOT UPRISING IN BARCELONA

EX-ARMY OFFICERS ACCUSED OF PLAN TO AID FRANCO

Prison Break In Canada

Guelph, To-day.
Between 25 and 30 convicts have escaped from Ontario Reformatory, following a riot in which temporary control was gained by the prisoners, who forced wardens and officials into the administrative building, where they locked them up.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI LADIES TEAM FOR INTERPORT HOCKEY

Shanghai, To-day.

The Shanghai interport ladies' hockey team has been selected as follows: Forwards, D. E. E. Bloomfield, Margery Williams, Mary Sheridan, Lotti Schmidt, Jean McKeown; half-backs, P. Pettigrew, Elsie Little, Esther Bloomfield; backs, Evelyn Vial, Frances Bomko; goalkeeper, Barbara Dunlap or Laura Carion. Reserve: Nora Kelly.—Reuter.

M.C.C. MATCH ABANDONED

Hobart, To-day.

The M.C.C. match with the Combined XI has been abandoned owing to heavy rains, a decision to that effect being reached at 2.15 p.m. after an inspection of the wicket.—Reuter.

BOXER BADLY BEATEN UP

New York, To-day.

Mike McTigue, ex-light-heavyweight champion of the world, had his teeth kicked out and suffered other injuries, when attacked by a mob of hoodlums, who were celebrating the fact that he had an opportunity in this work of peaceful co-operation.

INCIDENT ON FRONTIER

Polish-Lithuanian Dispute

FIRING ALLEGED

A frontier post incident threatens to disturb relations between Lithuania and Poland.

Two completely different versions of the incident have been officially released in the capitals. Lithuania alleging that the frontier post was advanced into Lithuanian territory. Poland asserts that a post which had fallen down was being re-erected when Polish guards were fired on.

LITHUANIAN VERSION

Kovno, To-day.
A serious incident occurred on the Lithuanian and Polish frontier on Saturday, according to the Lithuanian papers, which state that a detachment of about 50 Polish soldiers with two machine guns approached the frontier and, despite protests on the part of Lithuanian police officials, moved the frontier post four metres towards the Lithuanian side.

The post was then guarded by a machine gun detachment. It was expected that yesterday Lithuanian and Polish authorities would meet at the post which is the subject of contention and attempt to settle the matter.—Trans-Ocean.

POLISH CHARGES

Warsaw, To-day.
An incident occurred on Saturday on the Polish-Lithuanian frontier in the Sviencany district where, according to reports in the Polish press, Lithuanian Police officials fired 15 shots at Polish frontier guards, who were erecting a frontier post which had fallen down.

Nobody it is stated, however, was wounded by the shots.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL WEATHER FORECAST

The Royal Observatory reports that a strong anti-cyclone is centred over N. China, a ridge of high pressure extends from it to the Bonin Islands.

Forecast: N. E. and E. Winds, fresh; cloudy.

Most of the arrested men were formerly military officers and all, it is claimed have made confessions to the police.—Trans-Ocean.

Out Of Sianfu In Freight Trucks

Shanghai, To-day.

More than sixty foreigners, composed mostly of British, American, and Swiss missionaries were leaving Sianfu in three freight cars this morning for Tungkuow, where they were to be transferred to regular passenger coaches, according to the Chinese press. The report adds that the Government have agreed to allow the cars to return to Sianfu unmolested.—Reuter.

GERMANY HINTS OF ECONOMIC WAR EFFORTS

DETERMINED TO MEET SITUATION

NOT IN INTEREST OF PEACE

Berlin, To-day.

"It is not Germany's fault that world trade has been disorganised and Germany is no friend of complete self-sufficiency, but the German nation must live," stated the Minister of Interior, Herr Frick, at a big meeting in commemoration of the National Socialist electoral victory at Lippe in January, 1933.

If other countries did not give Germany what she needs to live, continued Herr Frick, Germany must create it herself with her gift for invention and by means of the materials available in her own territory.

It was impossible, in the long run, to exclude a great nation like Germany from participation in world trade and whoever believed that showed a lack of imagination.

Should such intentions be harboured then they were not in the interests of peace.

"Herr Hitler rescued the world from the pest of Bolshevism," continued Herr Frick, "and Jewish Bolshevism which is disintegrating nearly the whole of the world has no field for its activities in Germany."—Trans-Ocean.

HUNTING LODGE DIPLOMACY

Yugo-Slavia Makes Experiment

Belgrade, To-day.

A considerable impression has been made here by news of a meeting which took place on Saturday at a hunting lodge near Rann, on the border of Croatia-Slovenia, of the Premier, Dr. Yadinovich, and the leader of the Croats, Dr. Matsek, when the possibility of arriving at a solution of the Croatian problem was discussed.

No official version of the conversation has been published, but in political circles, the opinion is held that the interview was of historic importance, since, hitherto, it has been impossible to attain agreement between the demands of the Croatian minority in Yugoslavia and the policy pursued by Dr. Yadinovich.—Trans-Ocean.

M. LIVINOFF FOR GENEVA

Moscow, To-day.

The Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, M. Litvinoff, departed from Moscow for Geneva yesterday, it is officially announced. He will participate in the meeting of the League of Nations Council.

German Felicitations On Paris Exhibition

Paris, To-day.

At the conclusion of the ceremony of laying the foundation stone of the German Pavilion for the Paris International Exhibition, of 1937, the German Commissioner for the Exhibition, Dr. Ruppel, gave a luncheon attended by the French Minister of Commerce and officials of the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, members of the City Council and representatives of the exhibition, in addition to the local authorities.

The German Commissioner drank a toast to the complete success of the Paris Exhibition and after recalling many years spent in Paris in different capacities, welcomed the fact that he now had an opportunity in this work of peaceful co-operation.

The French Minister of Commerce, M. Bastid, replying, expressed thanks in cordial terms and alluded to the first of three wishes which the German Charge d'Affaires had uttered when laying the foundation stone—to the German spirit which the German Pavilion must represent.

The Minister professed himself an admirer of German culture and added a hope that the exhibition would, as the German Charge d'Affaires said, be a demonstration of the French spirit.

What, however, he particularly seconded was the third wish expressed by Dr. Ruppel, namely that the German Pavilion would be a bridge to understanding and peace between France and Germany, there being no necessity in his opinion for differences to exist between them.—Trans-Ocean.



Sporting Page



D.B.S. PROVES FINE CRICKET NURSERY FOR MAJOR LEAGUE CLUBS

COLONY RUGBY XV TAKING SHAPE

13 INVITATIONS ISSUED

BEST TO VISIT SHANGHAI

(By "REFEREE")

PROVIDING that the 13 players who have been invited to make the trip can accept and that the two remaining vacancies in the pack are filled to the satisfaction of the Interport Committee, the Colony Rugby team to meet the Shanghai Rugby Football Club, in Shang-



The 1935-6 Diocesan Boys' School cricket eleven, above, have put up some very fine performances against Club sides. The Rev. C. B. R. Sargent and Mr. J. L. Youngs, who have done a great deal for cricket at the school, are seen standing on the extreme right and the extreme left respectively.

Senior Champions Have Eight Old Boys In Their Side!

PRESENT ELEVEN ALREADY SHOWING FINE PROMISE

CREDITABLE DISPLAYS AGAINST CLUB COMBINATIONS

MR. A. O. BROWN BELIEVED RESPONSIBLE FOR START OF GAME AT THE D.B.S.

(By "ADREM")

THE Diocesan Boys' School has always had the reputation of being one of the leading local cricket schools but it is not until one studies figures that one really realises what a large number of players this institution has given to the game in Hong Kong.

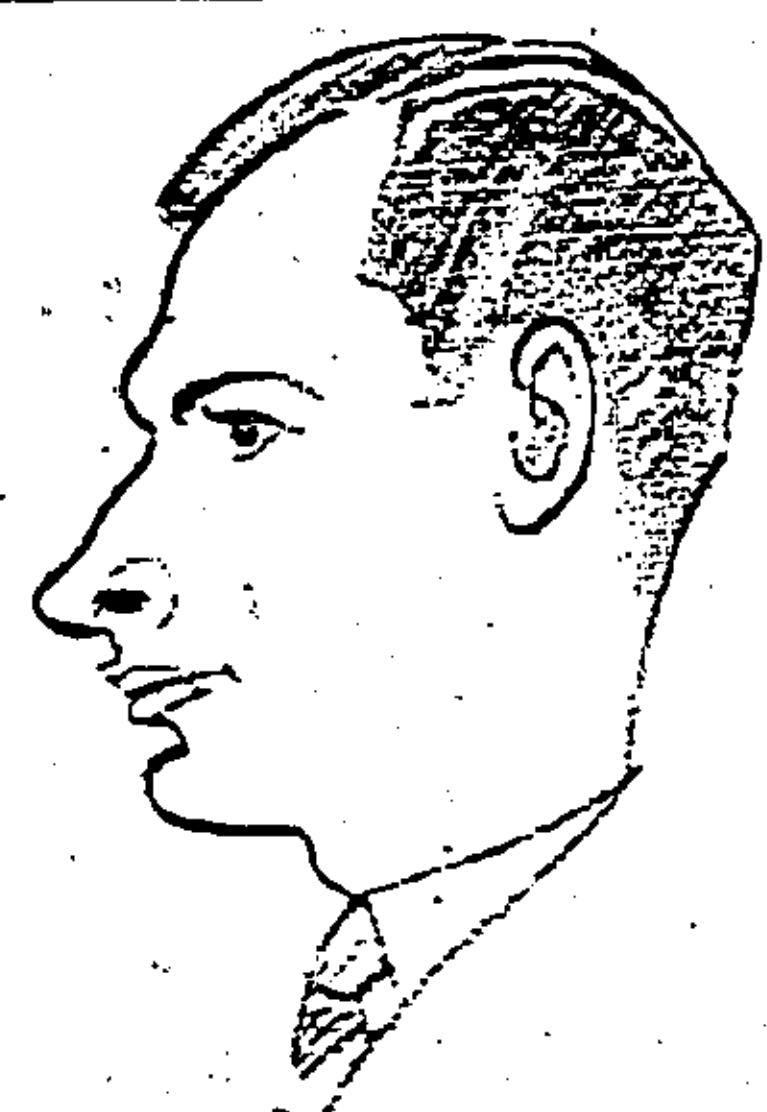
While watching a cricket match between the Kowloon Cricket Club and Craigengower, in the senior division of the league, I noticed the large numbers of old D. B. S. boys playing for both sides. Of the 22 players taking part in the game, no fewer than 18 were old Diocesanians and five of these, had represented the Colony in Interports.

Of the regular members of the Kowloon C. C. senior eleven, the present holders of the First Division championship, only three players were not educated at the D.B.S., while the Rev. C. B. R. Sargent is the present Headmaster.

Cricket has always been a popular game at the D.B.S., but it is not known for certain, who was actually responsible for starting it. As far as can be ascertained, Mr. A. O. Brown, who recently left the Colony on retirement, had a great deal to do with it when he was a member of the staff at the beginning of the century.

It was not until shortly after the War, however, that the School began to make its presence felt in local cricket circles. At that time, the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, himself a keen player, was Headmaster, and among the other cricketing masters were Mr. D. Trafford and Mr. A. Bower, who were always willing to help any boy keen to learn the game. Although the school did not possess its own ground, the boys were not discouraged and a hard tennis court was utilised for practice, while an occasional match was played on the University cricket ground at Pokfulam. Very few fixtures were arranged at this time, mainly because other schools could not provide the opposition and insufficient advancement had been made to enable the Clubs to be engaged.

When Mr. J. L. Youngs, joined the staff in about 1923, enthusiasm for cricket was roused to fever heat and some of the boys were almost fanatical in their keenness. With such an ardent lover of the game for their coach, it is small wonder that D. B. S. cricket soon became prominent.



F. R. Zimmer, above, is an old D.B.S. boy. He has played with distinction for the first eleven of the University and Craigengower.

WASEDA AGAIN LOSE

BUT CIVILIANS UNIMPRESSIVE
PYARA SINGH EXCELS

(By "ADREM")

Waseda University hockey team came to Hong Kong to gain experience. Their defeats in their first two games revealed that it was experience which they sadly needed. They revealed a good individual knowledge of the game but their tactics left much to be desired.

On the U.S.R.C. ground yesterday afternoon they were defeated by the Civilians—by 5 goals to 1—but their display against a very good team was definitely their best of the series.

The game started off in a sensational manner. Within five minutes of the bully-off, Pyara Singh, the brilliant K.L.T.C. centre-forward netted twice! Waseda then took up the running and for the rest of the half had just as much of the game as the local team. However, just before the breather, Pyara Singh, a great opportunist, completed his "hat-trick" when Onizuka, the goal-keeper, in making a brilliant save from a shot by Pinto, failed to clear quickly enough.

Goal From Bully-Off

The start of the second half was reminiscent of the first few minutes of the Waseda-Colony game. The Japanese team obtained possession of the ball from the bully-off and, following a short passing movement between the inside forwards, Kwai placed the ball into

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COLONY TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

BRIGHT HOPES ENTERTAINED

(By "ACE")

ONE of the most interesting indoor sports, table tennis, which is more popularly known as ping pong in Hong Kong, is being taken up more seriously this season than it has been in the past years. With the co-operation of clubs, schools and organisations other than Chinese, the Hong Kong Ping Pong Association, which is an all-Chinese organisation, intends to hold a competition for the Colony Ping Pong Singles Championship, which will be in conjunction with the Ping Pong League, which has been held under the auspices of the Association for several years.

Mr. Sew, an official of the Association, is very keen on inviting the European "Y" and the China Light and Power Recreation Club to send teams to take part in the competitions—Mr. Sew still remembers the time when S. A. Rumm, former holder of the Colony Lawn Tennis Singles Championship, H. D. Rumm and Silva participated in the League.

According to Mr. Sew, no foreign combinations have participated in the Association's League for the past five years. The League, which is organised every year by the Association, is open to all organisations in the Colony, irrespective of nationality. Upon hearing that the members of clubs other than Chinese take a keen interest in the sport, Mr. Sew stated that he will take the necessary steps to get in touch with them and invite them to send teams to compete in the League, the entries for which close next Wednesday.

ENTRANCE FEES

A fee of \$2. will be charged for joining the Association, and an additional fee of \$4 for each entry to the League. The fee for those entering the singles championship competition is only \$1.

After approaching the respective honorary secretaries of some of the European clubs in the Colony, I formed the impression that the Ping Pong League will be an outstanding success this year, for these clubs are keenly interested in the Ping Pong Association, the existence of which they were not aware of.

Y.M.C.A. KEENNESS

Mr. W. J. Ashton, assistant secretary of the European "Y", told me that he was not even aware of the existence of any Ping Pong League in the Colony. Members of the Association take a keen interest in this particular indoor sport, and there have always been competitions arranged among the members. No matches were, however, played against outsiders or other clubs, and the "Y" had not been invited to enter any local League. Mr. Ashton added that as so many members take such an interest in table tennis, he was sure that, provided they are invited, they would enter a team in the League, and concluded that he would be very glad to arrange for a friendly fixture with any participants in the League.

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CRYSTAL PALACE BEAT SWINDON

London, Saturday.—Crystal Palace, playing at home, beat Swindon by two clear goals in the Third Division (South) to-day.—Reuter.

COLONY BILLIARDS TOURNAMENT

Championships Start To-day

The Open Billiards Championships of the Colony, organised by the Hong Kong Amateur Billiards Association, will commence to-day, when a match in each of the Senior and Junior Divisions will be played. The following matches have been arranged for this week:

To-day
Senior Championship.—P. A. Yvanovich v. G. M. P. Remedios (Engineers' Institute).
Junior Championship.—J. A. da Luz v. T. F. Jordan (South China A.A.).



The Kowloon Cricket Club eleven, above, which won the senior cricket championship last season, were assisted by seven old D.B.S. boys. E. F. Fincher, who is seen sitting on the right of the front row, was the hero of the last Interport encounter in Shanghai, scoring 127 not out.

CRICKET RESULTS

A "hat-trick" by N. Singh (5 for 50) materially assisted Queen's College to beat the C.R.C. by 6 wickets on Saturday. J. Walden scoring 69 not out and Ismail Ali 68 not out. A. Hung (66 retired), Ng Sze-kwong (87) and H. Ching (28) were the chief contributors to the C.R.C. total of 150.

The Police beat the University juniors by 57 runs in a friendly match at Pokfulam yesterday.

VINES WINS AGAIN

Pittsburgh, Yesterday.—In their fifth match Vines beat Perry 14-12, 6-2, 6-1.—Reuter.

It was also at this time that members of the eleven, who were afterwards to make names for themselves as leading local exponents of the game, were just beginning to show signs of promise and from this time D.B.S. cricket has never looked back. With Mr. Sargent now at the helm and Mr. Youngs as keen as ever, there seems to be no reason why the school should not maintain its present reputation of being the Colony's leading cricket school.

Among the prominent cricketers at present playing in the Colony who are Old Diocesanians are E. C. Fincher and his brother

Only One Colour Remains

The first eleven is passing through a somewhat lean period at the moment. Of last year's team, the only old colour remaining is Francis Lay, a fine free-scoring batsman who is developing into a very useful wicket-keeper. Others who have this season been awarded colours are

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A. H. R. Butcher, above, is the Colony's best stand-off-half, even allowing for the Army and Navy representatives.

hai, on February 11, will be one of the strongest ever sent North and their chances at present look exceedingly bright.

G. K. Chadwick, K. A. Munro and H. D. Bidwell (three-quarters), J. L. Bonnar (scrum-half), B. O'M. Deane and A. W. Holden (forwards) are among those who have accepted the invitations issued by the Hong Kong Football Club.

Invitations were also issued to the following players, answers from whom have not yet been received: J. P. Whitman (full-back), H. van Leeuwen (three-quarter), W. E. Grieve (three-quarter), A. H. R. Butcher (stand-off-half), W. E. Peers, I. H. Bradford and K. S. Watson (forwards).

Two Vacancies At Forward

There are yet two places to fill among the forwards. Humphreys, should his knee injury be fully recovered by next Wednesday, is almost certain to fill one of the two vacancies, while either W. H. Currie or T. H. Pratt are likely candidates for the front row.

Clark, who pulled a muscle in his shoulder, is a doubtful starter as a wing forward and as a result either H. W. Heath or F. A. Redman, who will be travelling up with the team as a reserve forward, may secure a place.

Clark will be travelling to Shanghai under any circumstances as he is being transferred, and it is sincerely hoped that the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank authorities will grant the necessary leave to the three other members of the staff who have been invited. If van Leeuwen can obtain the necessary leave to make the trip, the Colony's team will not be selected until after the team arrives in Shanghai.

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S. CHINA BEAT NAVY

KOTEWALL CUP THRILLS

WONG MEI SHUN AT HIS BEST

(By "ROVER")

Poor shooting and lack of finish lost the Royal Navy their soccer game against South China in the Kotewall Charity Football Cup competition when they were defeated by two clear goals at Soekunpoo yesterday after having had as much of the game as the Chinese.

The Navy fielded a new side, which included few players that have been seen here in the local football League, and the lack of understanding among the forwards was apparent from the start. The defence performed very creditably throughout the game, but the forwards wasted countless opportunities of scoring, though well-placed on numerous occasions.

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Yesterday's Results At A Glance

KOTEWALL CHARITY CUP COMPETITION
THIRD DIVISION
SOUTH CHINA 2 ROYAL NAVY 0
LIGA 3 C. POLICE 0
MEDICALS 2 AIR FORCE 1
R.A.S.C. 1 R.A.O.C. 4

YESTERDAY'S GOAL-SCORERS

KOTEWALL CHARITY CUP
Fung King-sheng (South China) 1
Lee Wai-tung (South China) 1
THIRD DIVISION
H. Santos (Liga) 2
C. Santos (Liga) 2
F. Santos (Liga) 2
Goad (Ordinance) 1
Attoe (Ordinance) 1
Doyle (Ordinance) 1
Waters (Ordinance) 1
Fowther (Service Corps) 1
Good (Medicals) 1
Harrison (Medicals) 1
Eaton (Air Force) 1
Lawrence (Liga) 1
Remedios (Liga) 1

ALL-CONQUERING CLUB XV EXTENDED

BUTCHER
SHINESSEAFORTH PLAYERS
ON VIEWPAT DUNNE
LEAVING

FOR the first time this season the Club first Rugby fifteen were really hard pressed, and had it not been for the brilliance of Butcher, at stand-off-half, and of Grieve, at right centre threequarter, the Club might have fared badly against a weak Combined Services fifteen on Saturday.

Floyd, although still one of the most dangerous backs in the Colony, is never completely at his ease unless he has L/Cpl. Davies playing alongside him, but it will be some time before the latter has quite recovered from his injuries.

Lt. Harvey, R.N., who captained the Combined Services last Saturday, did not fall into his stride until well into the latter stages of the opening half, when his deadly tackling made itself felt. Harvey is very fast, and completely outdistanced the Club backs in his race for the ball for his try.



Fung King-cheung, left, was in fine form against Recreo last Saturday, scoring four of his side's seven goals. Lee Kwok-wai, right, gave one of his best performances against Recreo on Saturday and on this form is a firm favourite for the Interport.



Like Floyd, he had Whitman well beaten with a good punt ahead.

Promising Player

FORBES, who made his first appearance for the Club first fifteen, should develop into a fine threequarter. He handled the ball well on Saturday, although he was slightly shaky in timing his passes. Where he did make the mistake was in attempting to affect a cut-through with Harvey right in front of him!

Evans, of the Navy, who made his first appearance in a representative game this season, is still one of the liveliest forwards in the Colony, despite his diminutive size. It will be recalled that he was one of the Colony's outstanding forwards against the New Zealand Universities' touring side which passed through the Colony

Rainey Makes Debut

ONE of the outstanding features of the "A" fifteen game last Saturday was the first appearance of several players from the Seaforth Highlanders, among whom Pte. Rainey, a very promising stand-off-half, played for Hampshire. Rainey is a straight runner and always draws his man before passing, but as Saturday was his first game for nearly a year his performance could not be judged on the same standard as other local players.

Lt. MacLagan, of the Seaforths, who played at full-back, has a sound defence, but is not nearly so good as Barry in his touch-finding, although I must say that I liked his handling, which was very safe.

Ross Will Make Mark

SERGEANT Pratt, right-wing threequarter, and Pte. Ross, the left-centre threequarter, were fair, and the latter should develop into a dangerous player with his speed and stamina. He seemed very fresh after last Saturday's game, although he did plenty of running round.

Lieut. Rice-Evans, who led the very successful Army fifteen in the Triangular Rugby series last season, made a welcome re-appearance in the "A" fifteen game and has apparently lost none of his speed and artistry. He was a very elusive customer and great credit must go to van Leeuwen

S. CHINA "B"
FALTER
SENIORS TAKE
NO CHANCES
SEAFORTHS
DO WELL

and D. Hynes for their sterling tackling and defensive measures.

D. Hynes is certainly one of the most improved players in the Club and should have been given a trial with the first fifteen in preference to Forbes, who, although he has been conspicuous, has not the speed of Hynes, who has played extraordinarily well this season as both the Club second fifteen stand-off-half and as a centre-threequarter.

Big Loss To K.C.C.

PAT Dunne, the K.C.C. second team stalwart who is leaving for Singapore next Saturday, finished his association with local Second League cricket, for this season at least, in a blaze of glory, being directly responsible for the victory of his side over Craigengower. After capturing 5 wickets for 46, he went on to score 60 runs in an excellent innings.

E. Bathurst, who so far this season has displayed good form with the bat, gave a very good bowling performance against the junior eleven of the Civil Service last Saturday when he captured 6 for 26.

H. B. Neve, who is bound to be a strong contender for a place in the Interport eleven next November, scored 40 runs against the Civil Servants, while in the same match, A. W. Hayward, hero of many an Interport encounter, compiled 46.

Minu "Carries" His Side

WHEN Frank Pereira, the I.R.C. fast bowler was compelled to give up cricket owing to a breakdown in his health, local critics expected that there would be a decline in the Indian team. A. K. Minu has shouldered the extra responsibility in such an efficient manner, however, that in the last two matches he has literally "carried" his side.



E. L. H. Shute, above, is unlikely to enter for the Colony Badminton Championships as he will be leaving for Home in the near future.

Against the Navy on Saturday he took 6 for 25 and, assisted by A. H. Madar (3 for 7), skittled the Navy out for 36!

George Souza the youthful C.C.C. batsman compiled 73 against the K.C.C. In partnership with Omar (15) he added 67 runs for the 6th wicket. Omar is a well known hitter so some idea of the rapidity of Souza's scoring will be appreciated.

Police Forwards Fail

THOUGH the Club beat the Police by three clear goals at Chatham Road on Saturday they were fully extended and had the Police been in better shooting form they might quite easily have forced a draw. Gough, the Police pivot, played a great game and was ably assisted by North and Parker, though the latter had his hands full watching Moore, the Club's new inside-right.

Kemp fully justified his promotion to the first team and scored a good goal. This player has filled most positions in the defence of the junior team and his inclusion on the right wing for the senior team was unusual, but he acquitted himself well.

Rifles' New Winger

FERGUSON, former centre-forward of the Rifles, is fast settling down in his new position on the left wing, and against Kowloon was one of the most dangerous forwards. His goal, headed in from a corner kick, was a good effort.

The intermediate line of the Rifles was in fine fettle. Campbell, in the centre-half berth, had Knox, the opposing centre-forward, well covered most of the game and he received every sup-

KEEN BADMINTON DUEL
EXPECTED

KING'S V V.R.C. TO-NIGHT

THE most interesting match in this evening's badminton programme will be the clash between King's College and the Victoria Recreation Club in the "B" Division. The latter team are in the best position to challenge King's for the championship and will be all out for blood. They received a great deal of confidence following their fine win over Kowloon Tong "A."

In the "A" Division, St. Andrew's should win a close encounter against University "B," while University "A" and Recreo "A" should have no difficulty in garnering maximum points.

port from McGonigal and Miller, his wing-halves.

The absence of Blake greatly weakened Kowloon's attack and Winch was not speedy enough for the Rifles' defence.

South China "B" Falter

SOUTH China "B" are gradually losing their grip on the senior League championship and received another setback when they were forced to share two goals by the Athletic, a fortunate goal by Yeung Shui-yick, giving them a point.

Lo Wai-man, Wong Sik-ping and Ng Tak-wing were outstanding in the Athletic defence and it was the hard work of this trio that kept the South China forwards out during the game.

Lee Tak-ki, who started his football with St. Joseph's, has been showing great form recently and he was the source of most worry to South China on Saturday, his understanding with Tang Kwong-sum being very good.

Fusiliers At Their Best

THE Fusiliers played one of their best games this season when they defeated Kowloon Chinese by 6 goals to 1. The Chinese were, however, without most of their Canton players.

For the Fusiliers, Sullivan was in good form and distributed the ball well and took advantage of the passes from Talbot, while Roberts was another player who caught the eye with three neat goals.

Referees' Assn. Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong Football Referees' Association will, by kind permission of the Hong Kong Football Association, be held in Room 205, 2nd Floor, Gloucester Building on Monday next at 8 p.m. The agenda is as follows:

- (1) To read the notice convening the meeting.
- (2) To read and put for confirmation, minutes of previous meeting.
- (3) Correspondence.
- (4) To receive the Balance Sheet.
- (5) The following amendments to the Rules of the association will be proposed by D. Kossick and seconded by G. F. Finch:—

Rule (1) After membership add "as Members."

At end of rule add "as Associate Members."

Rule (3) Delete the words "those members mentioned in Rule (1) who are not registered Referees," and substitute the words "Associate Members." Add the following sentence:—"The annual subscription covers the normal playing season and should be paid before the end of November each year."

Rule (4) Add the following sentence:—"Association Members are not eligible for election on the committee or as officers of the association."

New Rule.

Rule (10) Honorary Members may be elected if regularly proposed, seconded and unanimously approved of, such membership terminates with Annual General Meeting but may be renewed under same conditions.

(6) Numbers of individual attendances at Committee Meetings to be read in accordance with Rule 4.

(7) To elect officers for the coming year.

(8) To elect a Committee for the coming year.

(9) Any other business.

YACHTING WINNERS

Catty (Mr. McClatchie) and La Cigale (Mr. N. Croncher) were the winners in yesterday's Third Championship yachting series on a course round Cheung Chan, a distance of 26 miles.

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AN INN SIGN SHOW

The official quinquenary of British beer made peculiarly appropriate the exhibition of inn signs opened in London a week or two ago. It was a show which George Borrow and Dickens and Sir Walter would have been pleased with.

Whatever be the case with wine, good — and plenty of bad — ale and bitter beer have needed and were at one time compelled to display their "bush." Books on inn signs with most tantalising illustrations have helped the tourist and consoled the fireside traveller.

The material is curious and enormous. Sir Charles Trevelyan lent to this show the sign of The Two Queens in Northumberland. Queen Mary is on one side of the board, Queen Elizabeth on the other. The latter personage took her quart of beer at breakfast regularly, like a good Elizabethan dame. On the reverse of a sign painted "by two Academicians" for The George and Dragon the hero refreshes himself after his victory with a pot of beer. G. K. Chesterton, who was not averse to taking "a pot of beer with a pubman," would have enjoyed that picture.

One hopes that there is a goodly representation of such glories of nomenclature as Mr. Richardson records in "The Old Inns of England." For instance:

The Cat and Custard Pot, Parrot and Punch Bowl, Bear and Hammer, Rainbow and Dove, Sun and Whalebone, Apple Tree and Mitre, Fish and Pea, Goat and Compasses, The Running Footman, The Leg and Seven Stars, The Devil and Bag o' Nails (Bacchanals).

Mr. A. P. Herbert, M.P., plays skittles in The Black Lion. On the gable of an inn in Lincolnshire is inscribed: "Five miles from anywhere. No hurry." Dick Swiveller must have named The Bank of Friendship. One must quit lest he become a permanent guest of the Old Tipping Philosopher. But is The Red Lion still standing at the corner of Derby and Parliament Streets, Westminster? Of all Dickensian inns, perhaps that is the best beloved, if to say so be not treason to Mr. Pickwick's collection. There David Copperfield ordered a glass of the Genuine Stumping. There he got his money back and a kiss from the landlady in the bargain. So often is Dr. Johnson's theory of the production of happiness confirmed.

Genius

A distinguished educator advocates a search for genius, according to "The Times."

But what does he propose to do if the search is successful? Would the specimen be placed in a museum for study and observation, to determine how he got that way, or put in gaol as a menace?

A genius is one who cannot be regimented. He knows the difference between good grain and sawdust. He refuses to wear a halter and be led into a stall at night.

According to some theories, a genius is an enemy and should be hunted down and shot by those engaged in the great war for democracy.

Poor Baroness

Cinderella's slipper seems not to have been made of glass, after all. It was a very ordinary slipper lined with miniver. The glass idea was a mistaken translation from the French of Perrault's d'Arma-Court. All

WHY during the past seventeen years have we failed to attain either economic recovery or a stable basis for peace? Largely because we are refusing to face the stark facts of modern life and are instead basing our programmes upon the stage-coach philosophy and facts of a hundred years ago.

Once the stubborn reality of the vital interdependence of nations is clearly realised, the nature of the foundations required for a stable peace becomes clear. To-day the standards of living, if not the very lives, of entire populations are dependent upon a steady inflow of raw materials and foodstuffs at prices unenhanced by prohibitive economic barriers, and also upon a steady sale of their own surplus production in foreign markets for a remunerative return.

Men will fight before they starve. They may also fight rather than see accustomed standards of living reduced to unbearable levels.

There can be no real security for any nation, industrial or agricultural, and consequently there can be no lasting international peace or stability, until nations can secure for themselves access, free from prohibitive nationalistic barriers, first to necessary raw materials and foodstuffs, and second to foreign markets.

In the present era of relative overproduction, access to foodstuffs and raw materials in time of peace is the less serious problem of the two, for the present oversupply produces a buyer's market. But in order to buy — even in a buyer's market — nations must be able to sell their own products. How to make secure each nation's reasonable access to foreign markets, therefore, constitutes under present-day conditions the very heart of the problem of peace.

IV

The Effort To Secure Foreign Markets Through Military Conquest

Security of foreign markets may be sought either (1) through military conquest or (2) through a system of foreign trade unhampered by excessive and unreasonable barriers.

The World War was partly the result of an attempt to solve the problem by the first of these two methods. At the opening of the twentieth century the search for new sources of raw materials and for foreign markets had become intense. Commercial rivalries developed and increased in bitterness. In the Balkans Russians and Austro-German efforts clashed; in Africa German aspirations were blocked by an Anglo-French entente; in the Far East Japan found herself blocked by Western nations.

Political rivalries were added to commercial rivalries. The German

this comes into the news in a somewhat roundabout way.

The recent coronation decree from the Earl Marshall's office in London ordered baronesses to provide themselves with robes or mantles of crimson velvet, "the cape thereof to be furled with miniver pure, and powdered with two bars or rows of ermine."

The ensuing wonderment led to scholarly research and to the discovery that "miniver pure" is what Cinderella's slipper was made of.

Even this information seemed to leave Britain's peeresses about where they were.

They still want to know what in the name of ceremonial costume is "miniver pure."

Nor does a round of dictionaries seem to help much. One defines miniver as a "plain white fur," another as "the fur of the gray squirrel," another as "ermine spotted with astrakhan," and another as "a fur not certainly identified, highly esteemed in the Middle Ages."

WAR Or World Trade which? :: II.

effort to secure necessary foreign markets and raw materials gave constant impetus to the political drive eastward — the Drang nach Osten. Out of this grew the imperialism of Germany and Austria. On the other hand, England, France and Russia formed an equally determined group, bent on securing needed raw materials and foreign markets for themselves.

Thus were developed two conflicting fronts of imperialism, each heavily armed. There could be only one outcome. Granted the philosophy of unrestrained national independence and the possession of huge armaments with which to force a solution, world war was as inevitable as the rising of the sun.

That was true in 1914. Is it less true to-day? The unprecedented catastrophe of 1914-1918 caused ruin from which we have not by any means yet emerged. The grim toll of human life was some nine million killed and six million maimed in the very prime of their manhood. But the supreme tragedy was not in lost lives. It was rather in the folly and futility of the sacrifice. If ever history taught a lesson in letters of blood and fire, it was the utter futility of seeking a solution of the problem of raw materials and markets through force of arms.

In the Treaty of Versailles which followed the war the victorious Allies, in spite of President Wilson's valiant efforts for a peace of reconciliation, proceeded on the

The attempt to solve the problem of foreign markets by war is suicidal. Conquest is, in fact, no solution, but only the way of despair. War destroys foreign markets. It is not, in truth, a practicable means for securing them.

The Menace Of Economic Armaments

The aftermath of every great war is a fresh surge of economic nationalism, partly because of the need of protection against depreciated currencies, disordered world prices and international "dumping," and partly because of military considerations.

During the past fifteen years economic nationalism has been running rampant. Tariffs have been raised to unprecedented heights. Since the crash of 1929 entirely new and far more drastic implements for achieving economic nationalism have been created, such as quota restrictions, exchange control, export and import licensing, government trade monopolies, and the like.

At first these weapons were introduced and used for defensive purposes to protect national currencies or domestic economies.

But with the seeking and granting of exclusive preferences, these weapons came to be used in trade offensives, and a maze of restrictions grew up, regimenting trade and forcing it into highly un-economic channels.

Nation became pitted against nation in the parry and thrust of bitter trade rivalry. The highways of commerce of the world became blocked with impossible barriers. Traffic became choked. Between 1929 and 1932 international trade fell to a third of its former value.

Normal trade currents depend upon price considerations; every time political and non-economic factors divert trade currents from the normal flow the costs of goods are increased, consumer populations suffer and economic dislocations start in motion a long train of injurious consequences. To-day countries are bargaining with each other for trade favours and preferences; and as every exclusive preference given to one nation means a discrimination against some fifty other nations, the policy of economic nationalism and bargaining in preferences, if unchecked, can lead only to the destruction of civilised standards of living.

The day after some country on the other side of the world cuts down its quota of American automobiles or apples or agricultural machinery, so as to give this trade to a third country in return for similar favours from it, the State Department and the Department

ESCAPED PRISONER OF WAR

He then escaped and walked several hundred miles, mostly by night, till he reached the Black Sea. By the end of the war he was a lieutenant-colonel and an M.C.

Mr. Keeling, who entered Parliament at the General Election, knows more about foreign affairs than the average private member. He might be classed as a Middle East expert.

In the House he has spoken almost entirely on questions of local government, a subject on which he has first-hand knowledge. He is a member of the Westminster City Council.

He keeps his constituents in Twickenham informed of his views on all questions by contributing a weekly column on the work done in Parliament to their local paper.

His quiet manner and precise deliberation of speech conceal great physical energy.

For his holiday this summer he accompanied the public schoolboys who toured Northern Finland, chiefly on foot.

of Commerce are flooded with protesting letters from American manufacturers and producers who by reason of the loss of these foreign markets may have to discharge thousands of American employees or perhaps see their whole enterprise turned from a profit into a loss. Economic cause and effect know no frontiers.

Post-war efforts toward economic recovery, based upon policies of increasing economic nationalism, never can bring recovery, for they ignore the facts of modern industrial existence and rest upon an outlived philosophy. By shutting nations off from foreign markets upon which their economic existence depends, these policies effectively block the only real solution possible. Their inevitable tendency is to drive desperate rulers toward and conquest — the way of 1914.

To seek recovery through economic nationalism is like trying to square the circle or to attain perpetual motion. It is not surprising that we are further from international stability or economic recovery to-day than we were in 1919.

VI.

The Road Of Peace

The lesson is clear. All thinking people who care for human progress must see that largely as a result of the Industrial Revolution stable and lasting peace can be built only upon a world trade unhampered by excessive barriers and restrictions.

It is true that access to foreign markets can be made secure only in a world organised on the basis of law. Unhappily, that time has not come yet. In the meantime, however, we can build for peace by reducing excessive trade barriers. The problem of peace must be solved and can only be solved by frankly recognising the facts of present-day life. Trade barriers such as we have been building up since the war are in irreconcilable conflict with the modern industrial life of the world. The drive toward economic nationalism, if continued unchecked, leads surely and inevitably to war.

That is why the question of American foreign trade policy transcends party lines. It is a question of war or peace — and upon such a question there is no room for partisan differences or for petty politics. The very foundation of American foreign policy is the profound desire for peace. A policy which militates against peace cannot be American.

America must, therefore, stand firmly against a policy of economic nationalism. Americans cannot forget that the strength of the nation from the very outset was built upon the frank recognition of the interdependence of the sovereign American States. Our Constitution expressly forbade the creation of trade barriers or customs tariffs against goods from other States. It is this, perhaps as largely as any other provision in the Constitution, that has given a strength to the nation, stability and peace to the States. Practical experience has proved the worth of this, the American way.

By her trade agreements programme America has already taken a significant and an important step in this direction. Thus far the programme has been more than justified by the practical results of the agreements already entered into, as evidenced by marked increases in foreign trade and by their influence in encouraging a worldwide re-examination of the means of freeing international trade from its nationalistic fetters.

The recent monetary accord has been a further encouraging step. Now the American republics are giving united and careful consideration to additional measures. By these and other practical means America intends, so long as other nations will join in the effort, to fight against the hundred-headed dragon of economic nationalism and instead to build realistically for peace.

Here There and Everywhere

SOLDIER M.P.

Two of the five M.P.s who visited the Nationalist front in Spain are former professional soldiers. They are Mr. P. Dunne and Mr. Harold Mitchell.

But both belong to the post-war era. Mr. Eckersley, the former Lancashire captain, and Mr. Anthony Crossley, who has been P.P.S. to two National Government Ministers, are also in the early thirties.

Mr. E. H. Keeling, the senior member of the party, has had a great deal of war experience.

He was in the siege of Kut, and after the garrison was starved into surrender took part in the march of the emaciated and exhausted troops to Asia Minor — one of the major horrors of the war.

GARDNER GIVEN 15 MONTHS' SENTENCE ON REVENUE STAMP FRAUD CHARGES

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

A vegetable oil refinery will be established at Wuhu early this year.

The J.G.I.L. m.s. Tjisadane is leaving for Amoy and Shanghai on Friday at noon.

The s.s. "Shirala" left Singapore for Hong Kong on the 14th instant and is due here on Wednesday morning.

Two officers of the Royal Tank Corps have taken up duty with the Chinese Army. These are Captain Alan H. Wells, and Captain William C. P. Dawson.

H.M.S. Medway and the submarines, Olympus, Parthian, Proteus, Oswald, Orpheus and Rover sailed for Manila on a Southern cruise on Saturday afternoon.

The P. and O. s.s. "Corfu" left Singapore for this Port on Saturday at noon with the outward English Mails, and is due here on Wednesday at about 3 p.m.

While discharging rails at Pukow last month the Danish motor vessel, Asia, had her bottom holed, due to the breaking of a sling. The vessel was later drydocked in Shanghai.

Capt. G. C. Walker, marine superintendent of Moller's Ltd., is again proceeding to England via Siberia to take over the latest acquisition to the big fleet of vessels operating on the China coast.

Rich mineral resources in southern Shantung may soon be exploited as a plan has been advanced for the construction of a railway linking Tzuyang on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway near Chufu with Lien-yung Harbour in northern Kiangsu.

"The business of wine merchant is a highly respected and honourable one," said Sir John Brennan, H.M. Consul-General, as he laid the foundation stone of Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor & Co.'s new building at 44 Poochow Road, Shanghai.

Three Chinese, Cha Pui, Chan Sing and Wan Kam-chuen, were each sentenced to two years' hard labour by Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, acting Puisne Judge, at the Supreme Court this morning, for breaches of the Deportation Ordinance.

A daughter was born to Mrs. Leila Melchers on January 10 at the Shanghai Country Hospital, and is to be named Karia. Mrs. Melchers, wife of Mr. Hans H.P. Melchers, of the Transocean News Service in Shanghai, was the former Miss Leila Croot, popular member of the Hong Kong younger set and sister of Dr. J. Croot. Miss Melchers formerly belonged to the staff of Jensen & Co. in this city.

A charity concert will be given in the China Fleet Club on Wednesday at 9 p.m., the proceeds being in aid of the widow of the late Sgt. A. S. Petty R.A.S.C. The Artists include Miss Anne Winter, Mr. Albert A. Barton, Mrs. Niel Mathieson, Mr. Jack Grenham, Mr. Leo Peckham, Mr. V. C. Labour, Mr. William Gifford, and Miss Doreen Ma. Nura Kanis will be at the piano, and the Comma, Mary Gray. Booking at Anderson's.

Two years' hard labour was imposed on Cheung Tin-loy, who pleaded guilty to robbing Wan Mao, of \$177, at Shatin on November 8 last, when he appeared before Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden, acting Puisne judge, at the Supreme Court this morning. Mr. J. P. Murphy, the newly appointed assistant Crown Solicitor appeared for the prosecution.

Among the departures by the S. S. Haitan for Manila, was Mr. T. H. G. Brayfield, M.L.N.A., M. Inst. P.T., M.I. Mech. E., who in his capacity as Special Officer of the Salvage Association, London, is proceeding to Iloilo, P.I., to advise as to the possibilities of salvaging the m.v. Silver-cypress, which recently caught fire at Iloilo and was later beached on Guimaras Island.

SESSIONS TRIAL

Man Faces Serious Charge

Charged with carnal knowledge of a 12-year-old Chinese girl, and with harbouring an unmarried girl, a 38-year-old Chinese, Leung Hing, entered a plea of not guilty when he appeared before His Honour the Chief Justice at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

The following jury were empanelled: Messrs. W. S. Drake (Foreman), Ngok Chow-horne, Wong Long-chai, Chang Tsun-hing, Fong Kan-chew, Chan Kwai-ping and E. E. Osmund.

Outlining the facts, Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, stated that it was alleged that accused interfered with the girl on several occasions between November 14 and 22, and between November 23 and 28 last. On November 13, the girl was sent out by her mother to buy some red cloth, and did not return. The girl would say that she met a man, whom she knew by sight. She went to his residence, and when she wanted to leave she was persuaded to stay for the night.

On the following day she was taken to a house in Portland Street, where the accused rented a cubicle. On November 28, Sub-Inspector Cunningham with a Chinese detective arrested the accused when they found the girl in a Woosung Street flat.

The girl admitted that accused was not the first man who had interfered with her.

The case is proceeding.

CABARET GIRLS SUMMONED

Accused Of Assault By Dancer

The Misses Helena, Alice and Alberta Pedruco, dancers at the Majestic Cabaret, were this morning summoned before Mr. K. Keen at the Central Magistracy by Miss Ada Chan, of No. 32, Hillwood Road, also a dancer at the same cabaret, with assault and causing bodily harm.

Mr. M. A. da Silva was for the complainant and Mr. B. D. Evans appeared for the defendants. The case was fixed for hearing on Friday at 2.30 p.m., Mr. Evans stating that a cross-summons would be taken out.

ROBBERS SENTENCED

Charged with robbing two women of money and jewellery on December 18, Cheung Sing, Hui Sau-ping, and Chan Ming pleaded guilty when they appeared before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Macgregor at the Criminal Sessions. Mr. H. E. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, stated that half of the property had been recovered.

First and second accused were sentenced to 18 months' hard labour, and the third, who had a previous conviction, to two years' imprisonment.

The Civil Service Cricket Club will hold a whist drive on Thursday commencing at 9.20 p.m.

COUNSEL PLEADS FOR LENIENCY

MAN'S FAMILY OF THIRTEEN

Pleading guilty to six charges of fraudulent conversion and fraudulent fixing of revenue stamps to documents, on various dates, Joseph Charles Gardner, was sentenced to 15 months' hard labour, by Sir Atholl Macgregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Mr. Leo D'Almada stated that accused was 49 years of age, and had been in the employ of the Union Insurance Company of Canton for a period of 28 years. He joined the Company in the year 1905 and left five years later, but rejoined in 1913 and resigned last year. His salary was \$370 per month, but this was reduced to \$350 after a deduction for the Provident Fund.

With this sum the accused had to support a family of 13 children, of which 11 were girls. In addition to his salary, accused made an income by teaching shorthand and book-keeping.

Family illness. Accused got into financial difficulties some years ago. Heavy expenditure was incurred through the serious illness of his daughter, who had to be operated on. His son also at one time was suffering from spinal trouble, which incurred one year's expenses for hospital treatment. These expenditures left the accused in a dire straits and as a result he took recourse to money-lenders, which was "the beginning of the end" continued Mr. D'Almada.

Accused did not commit the offences for reckless squandering, added Mr. D'Almada, and went on to say that the accused resigned in July last and went to Japan, from where he sent his employers a letter making a clean breast of everything, and exonerating his superiors from any responsibility. Accused stayed a short while in Japan, but resolved to return to give himself up. He travelled under his own name.

Sweetness of Liberty. Arriving here, accused found that the sweetness of liberty was something difficult to renounce, but he was arrested on the evening of his arrival, November 3. Accused had been in police custody ever since.

At the last Criminal Sessions, accused was charged with the same offences, but was acquitted by the jury on a plea of "autre fois convict." Accused was re-arrested on leaving the building.

Mr. D'Almada requested the Court to take into consideration that accused, during the war, served in the police reserve, and rendered service at the G. C. H. during the general strike in 1929 for which he received two letters from the authorities. Mr. D'Almada concluded by stating that "justice would be met by the lightest of sentences."

"I shall be lacking in my duty if I did not pass a severe sentence. You are sentenced to 15 months' hard labour on each count from to-day" said Sir Atholl Macgregor after surveying the facts. "The sentences to run concurrently."

ARMED ROBBERY OF BRITONS

Shooting Incident At Customs Pass

SEVEN YEARS' HARD LABOUR

Remarking that the case was an extremely serious one, and that there was a wanton use of firearms, which would have proved fatal had Mr. Peacock not had a metal cigarette case in his pocket, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl Macgregor, sentenced Chau Wah, a 45-year-old earth cooler, to seven years' hard labour, at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Accused pleaded guilty to the charge of robbing Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Peacock in Customs Pass, at about noon on September 27 last.

Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General prosecuted.

On September 27, together with his wife and two sons, aged 10 and two, Mr. Peacock went for a walk in the Kowloon hills about 11.30 a.m. Some time after 12, they were walking along a narrow path leading to Customs Pass, Eric, the elder in front, then Mr. Peacock with the younger son, followed by Mrs. Peacock, who was carrying a satchel in which was a camera, a purse containing a few dollars, and other articles. Nobody was in sight.

Came From Behind. Suddenly Mrs. Peacock heard footsteps behind her, and stopped and looked round. She saw two Chinese coming up, one behind the other, and halted to let them pass. The one in front did so, but the other (accused) stopped by her and looked at her satchel. Looking towards her husband, Mrs. Peacock saw that the other man was holding a revolver at his chest.

Mr. Peacock snatched at the weapon with his left hand, forcing it down, but it went off, wounding him in the left thigh. Two more shots were fired, though one did not go off properly. The last shot penetrated the edge of a cigarette case Mr. Peacock was carrying in the left breast pocket of his jacket, but it only bruised his chest.

Realising resistance was useless, Mr. Peacock stood still and allowed the robber to take his pocket watch and a signet ring, together with a purse containing three \$1 notes, a few ten-cent pieces, three keys and a conjuring penny.

Meanwhile accused threatened Mrs. Peacock with a knife and took a gold watch from her wrist, and the satchel. He also made her give him a diamond ring and a gold wedding ring which she took from her fingers with difficulty.

Mr. Peacock and his family eventually reached the R. A. F. Guardroom, where his injuries were dressed and the police were informed. Mr. Peacock remained in hospital for three days.

Extensive enquiries were made in the neighbourhood, and after the lapse of some time the accused was arrested on December 3 in Un Long.

Next day an identification parade was held at Yaumati Police Station, and accused was identified immediately by Mr. Peacock.

REPUBLICAN PLOTTING IN N. IRELAND

BELFAST POLICE RAIDS

MINE FOUND NEAR MUNITION DUMP

Belfast, To-day. The police of Northern Ireland made sudden raids on Saturday night on various houses in Belfast and confiscated, it is said, illegal documents connected with activities of the Irish Republican Army.

The owners of these documents, however, escaped before the arrival of the Police.

The raid was made following the discovery of an unexploded land mine near an ammunition store in Belfast.

In a previous raid, a few days ago, the Belfast Police confiscated bombs, fire-arms and explosive material and house searches which are still proceeding are part of a systematic action on the part of the Police of Northern Ireland against illegal revolutionary activity of the Irish Republican Army.—Trans-Ocean.

REVOLT LEADER NOW A PRISONER?

UNCONFIRMED SHANFU STORY

YANG AGREES TO PEACE

Canton, To-day. General Mei Chun-liu, subordinate of Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, who went to Shanfu on the instructions of the Central Government to negotiate a peace settlement in the Shensi revolt, has returned to Nanking.

He was accompanied by Pau Men-yuet and Li Chi-kiang, representatives of the North-eastern Army and the rebel leader, Yang Hu-cheng.

It is reported that Yang Hu-cheng now promises to stop all military activity in Shensi and Kansu, pending the meeting of the third plenary session of the Kuomintang.

In a cable from General Chen Cheng, Vice Minister of War, it is stated that Generals Yang Hu-cheng and Sun Wei-yu have promised to assume office as Pacification Commissioner for and Chairman of Shensi respectively so as to preserve the order of the province.

An unconfirmed report from Loyang, however, states that General Yang has been imprisoned by the Communist leader, Mo Chak-tung in Sian, while 20,000 communists under Pang Teh-hui are stationed in the suburbs of the city.

It is also alleged that all Government offices, newspapers and the political corps of the different armies are under the management of the communists.—Our Own Correspondent.

HONG KONG POLICE WIN

Goals by Morrison (3) and Willerton (2) gave the Hong Kong Police a 5-0 win over the Macau Police yesterday at Macau.



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OFFICIAL STATEMENT ON K.C.R. DISASTER

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Only one case was brought into Kowloon by the Flying Dragon, and was removed to the Kowloon Hospital where he has since died.

CAUSE OF OUTBREAK. The fire must have been due to highly inflammable goods and the evidence shows three intense heat spots, which spread very quickly.

A passenger in one coach stated that he smelt burning rubber at Shek Li Kau. He then saw flames. At the same time, a passenger in another of the coaches stated that there was an instantaneous outbreak in his coach. It therefore appears that the two coaches caught alight at precisely the same time.

CELLULOID. It is known that two packages containing sundries were sent from Kowloon Station to Shum Chun as ordinary goods on the 10.16 a.m. train from Kowloon.

These packages were presented for examination to the Chinese Maritime Customs at Shum Chun and were declared as celluloid bangles. The duty receipts showed that an amount of \$21.12 had been paid on two packages of celluloid bangles, amounting to 320 dozen, of a total value of \$64.

It was known that these two packages contained in rattan baskets, were taken on the noon express and loaded one into Coach No. 9 and one into Coach No. 92 at Shumchun.

ENQUIRY IN CANTON. There were no communication cords in the carriages because of the danger of bandits operations. It is expected that an inquiry will be held in Canton.

It is understood that Captain Walker and the Director of Communications in Canton are in communication concerning the details of the joint inquiry into the disaster.

BAR-BOY'S DEATH

Kwok Shik, aged 19, a bar-boy on the train, who was brought down and sent to the Kowloon Hospital, died last evening at 7 p.m.

Scenes of horror in the blaze were fully reported in "The Sun"

day Herald" yesterday, and it has since been definitely confirmed that the coaches carried no emergency communication cord.

CANTON MAKES REPORT

Canton, To-day.

Mr. Li Luk-chiu, managing director of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, made a detailed report on the tragic fire on the mid-day express at Shek-lung to the Ministry of Railways at Nanking to-day.

In co-operation with the railway authorities of the British section Mr. Li is going to hold an inquiry into the disaster with a view to ensuring the safety of the service. Mr. Li spent the whole of yesterday afternoon visiting the various hospitals where the victims are detained. It is stated that the number of the injured was well over sixty.—Union News.

NORA MAERSK

News from Japan leads to the belief that the Danish motor ship, Nora Maersk, which was so badly damaged by fire at Zamboanga, later towed to Hong Kong, and sold to Japanese purchasers, is likely to be repaired in Japan. The fine vessel may, therefore, be in operation again in these waters within a few months. She was towed to Japan some weeks ago for close inspection.

NOT ONIONS?

Paris, To-day.

A new trade agreement between France and the Valencia Government, negotiations for which have been proceeding for the past week, was signed on Saturday at the French Ministry of Commerce.

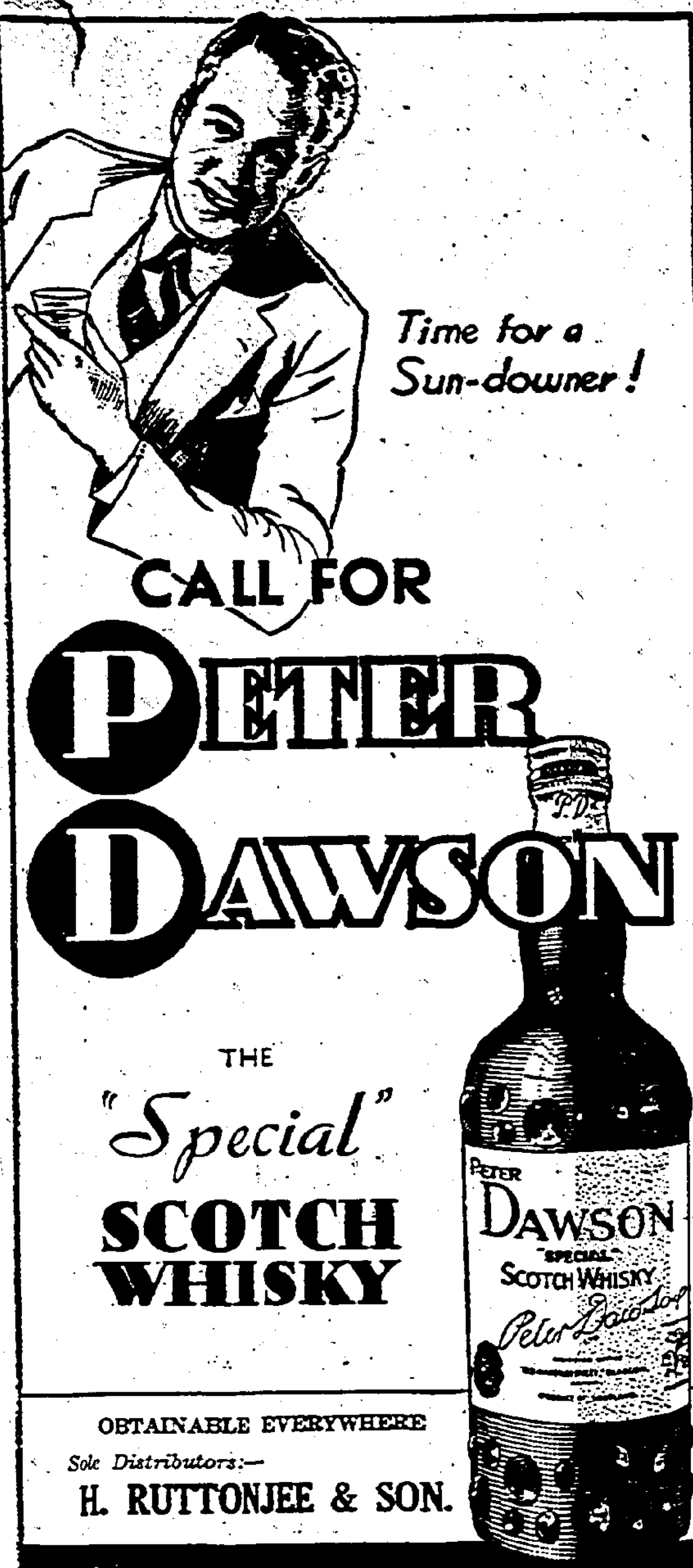
The new agreement, it is officially stated, concerns the import of oranges into France and the settlement of outstanding payments.—Trans-Ocean.

Changing its mind, the Central Government is letting Kwangtung have its steel and iron works, but its cost will not be borrowed, and it is not to be on Honan Island.

Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



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WASEDA AGAIN LOSE

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an empty goal. Bumjahn, the Civilian's goalkeeper, having been drawn from his charge. Even play then followed and, after both teams had missed easy opportunities of scoring, Pyara Singh scored the fourth goal and shortly afterwards G. Fowler added the fifth.

The Waseda team now realises the advantage of playing an open game and both wings were kept well plied with passes. The backs and intermediate line were quick in their tackling and rarely wasted a ball in clearing.

Kojima, the coach, following a rather tentative start against the Army, struck his very best form and his speed and stickwork in the last three games has resulted in a vast improvement in the forward line. If the Japanese left-winger had taken advantage of all the openings made for him, Waseda would have scored at least two further goals.

Civilians Disappoint

The Civilian team was rather disappointing. On paper they had a side which should have given a very much better performance. Bumjahn, deputising for Sousa in goal, proved an admirable understudy and gave a display that should definitely place him in the front ranks.

Guest and Gosano were fairly good, although the former was somewhat careless. Gonsalves, at left-half, was a very good spoiler and was the pick of the halves, although Reed and Hassan did not let much by.

Pyara Singh, who led the forwards, was a revelation. His speed, amazing stickwork and fine constructional play was a feature of the match and revealed him as being among the best three forwards in the Colony. The right wing combination, the Fowler brothers, was most disappointing.

Waseda—M. Onizuka; K. Yamamoto and S. Kawara; M. Kawashima, T. Yamada and T. Nomita; T. Sugawara, K. Kawai, T. Yonemura, S. Masamura, and Y. Shimoda.

Civilians—Bumjahn (K.I.T.C.); A. E. P. Guest (Radio) and E. L. Gosano (Argonauts); M. G. Hassan (Radio); W. A. Reed (Club) and J. Gonsalves (Recreio); S. A. Fowler (Club); G. H. Fowler (C.B.A.); Pyara Singh (Radio); J. M. Pinto (K.I.T.C.) and V. Bond (Club).



S. CHINA BEAT NAVY

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Leung Wing-chiu was an absentee from South China's team and his place was taken by Lau Hing-chol, while Chan Tak-fai came into the team, in place of Lai Shui-wing, who was injured in Saturday's game.

Navy Defence Do Well

The Navy soon settled down and their defence played a good game, with the result that the Chinese were held in check for a long period and during the first half were really never dangerous, though Lee Wai-tong made Ritchie, in goal, dive full length to turn a powerful drive round the posts for a corner.

Wong Mei-shun played one of the best games of his career. He tackled well and distributed to great advantage. He was always where assistance was most needed. He played his usual robust game, but was much more tactful in his tackling.

Lee Kwok-wai did not reproduce the same fine form he showed on the previous day. He was poor in his clearances and he was uncertain in his tackling. Le Page beat him easily, and it was fortunate that this player did not send across the centres he should have done.

Formidable Backs

Lee Ting-sang and Tam Kong-pak were a formidable pair of backs, the former being outstanding with his first-time clearances, while the latter was prominent with his headwork.

In the forward line Fung King-cheong was a great schemer. He tried hard to work for a position and, playing in an unusual position—at inside-left did extremely well. His passes to Tso Kwai-shing were accurate, but in the latter part of the game he was inclined to hold on to the ball too long.

Lee Wai-tong was slow in starting. He had the constant attention of "Hutchby," this player shadowing him throughout the game. Lee played better in the closing stages and tested Ritchie with several rasping first-timers.

To the Navy defence the greatest credit must be given. They played well against the strong Chinese forward line and more than held their own, for the greater part of it. Passent and Toser were a clean kicking pair of backs, the latter being prominent in the manner he subdued Tso Kwai-shing.

Weak Navy Wingers

The great weakness of the Navy was their wingers. These players had ample opportunities of centering, but did not do so. Added to this, Finney was poor, in the centre, his shooting being weak, while Wide, at inside-left, was inclined to lay too far back and was seldom in position for a shot. Spencer played a hard game throughout and tried hard to get his colleagues going.

After a goalless first half, the Chinese took the lead when Fung King-cheong worked his way over to the left and cleverly hooked the ball into the net. The Chinese went further ahead when, after a neat bout of passing between Ip Pak-wah, Fung King-cheong and Lee Wai-tong, the last named beat Ritchie with an excellent shot.

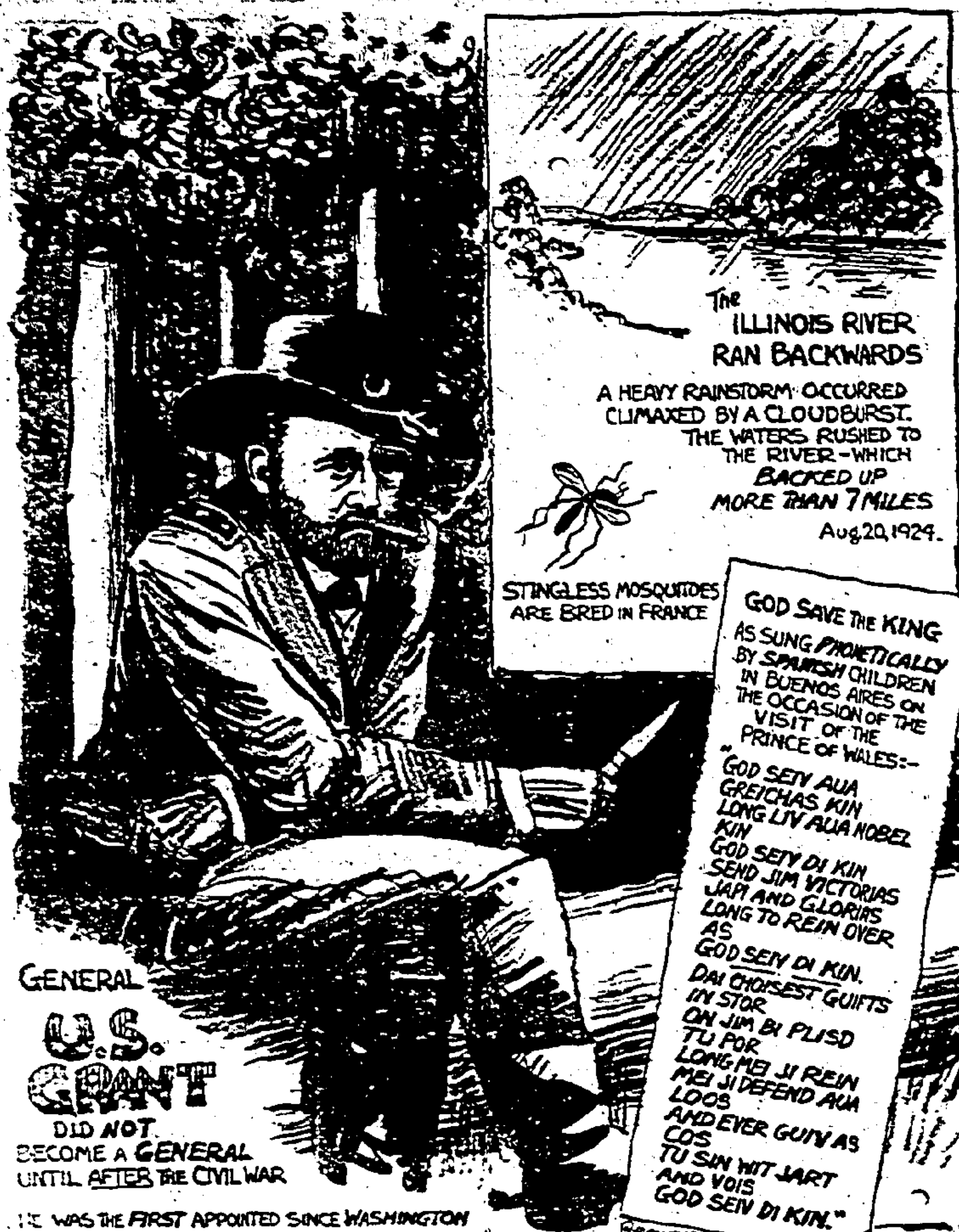
Navy—Ritchie; Passent and Toser; Usher, Hutchby and Jones; Le Page, Wide, Finney, Spencer and Tufnell. South China—Fan Ka-ping; Lee Ting-sang and Tam Kong-pak; Lau Hing-chol, Wong Mei-shun and Lee Kwok-wai; Tso Kwai-shing, Chan Tak-fai, Lee Wai-tong, Fung King-cheong and Ip Pak-wah.

MORE SOVIET CARGO SHIPS

To Complete In Freight Market

An increase of the Soviet merchant marine by 42 ships, ranging from 2,000 to 8,000 tons each, in 1937 is envisaged under the present five-year plan. The increase will be effected mainly by purchases of older vessels abroad. The Soviet Government is striving to compete in the world's freight market and to increase Russia's foreign exchange funds by the development of merchant shipping.

"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



COLONY TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

(Continued from Page 2)

CHINA LIGHT'S HOPES

Mr. P. C. Clemo, secretary of the China Light and Power Recreation Club, told me that quite a number of their members indulge in Ping Pong, and competitions are also held among the members only, as he had not heard of the local League. Asked whether they would enter a team if they are invited to do so, Mr. Clemo said they would be glad to get in touch with the League officials, and he is sure that among their ping pong players there are a few who are quite strong enough to compete for the Colony Championship.

In previous years members of Club de Recreo used to take a keen interest in the game, but the enthusiasm has gradually died down, and now the members take little interest in this indoor sport. Mr. Freddie Xavier, secretary of the Club, told me that he was quite certain that they would not be able to raise a team to compete in the League.

ST. JOSEPH'S AGREEABLE

St. Joseph's College hold ping pong competitions every year, but they are restricted to students only. The standard of ping pong there is quite fair, but the students have not had a chance to pit their strength against an outside team. Brother Hubert, the College's sports master, told me that there are about 70 students in the College who take part in the competitions, and he was sure that they would be able to raise a strong team to participate in the League. They have, however, not been invited to do so.

AT ST. STEPHEN'S

A good many of the St. Stephen's boys are keenly interested in the game, and, according to Mr. C. E. T. Moore, they have enough talent to enter a useful team in the League. Queen's College took part in the League a few years ago, but they still have competitions among the students, and are quite capable of raising a full team.

As regards entering a team in the League the Diocesan Boys' School are out of the question, for they have very few students who play the game.

UNIVERSITY STRONG

The University will be able to raise a very strong team. The undergraduates take a great interest in the sport, and will be able to hold their own against any team in the Colony. Two of their players who recently entered the University, it is reported, are experts. They also have not received

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

General Grant

ULYSSES S. GRANT was made a general of the Army on July 25, 1866, after the Civil War. He was the second to hold that army rank, having been preceded by George Washington on June 15, 1775. Eight more generals have held this rank since General Grant.

Stingless Mosquitoes

A NEW race of the stingless variety is being propagated, the Academy of Sciences in France was assured recently by Professor Louis Eugene Bouvier, who presented the work of Dr. Legendre.

This modern mosquito, known to his Latin-speaking scientific friends as "culex purpureus," was found by Dr. Legendre in the northern part of France. For two years he has cultivated them in the Pons region, west of Marseilles, and they are replacing their stinging brethren so effectively that there is hope of an era when mosquitoes will be in good repute.

ed an invitation to join. The Chinese "Y" have a special ping pong section. Tournaments are held throughout the year, but only members are allowed to compete. They have always entered a team in the League.

There are several other schools, organisations, and associations, the members of which indulge extensively in ping pong, but, owing to lack of encouragement, they have not been able to organise friendly matches with other clubs.

Those who are interested in taking part in the League, and the singles Championship competition, are requested to communicate with Mr. C. S. Ng, Secretary of the Hong Kong Ping Pong Association, c/o The Confucian Temple, Hollywood Road, Hong Kong.

LAST YEAR'S RESULTS

The following are the results of the competition held last year under the auspices of the Hong Kong Ping Pong Association.

Junior Division

1. Chung Yung College, 2. Wang Hing School, 3. Kow Ngai School.

Men's Singles

1. Sew Siu-kow (Confucian Club), 2. Chu Kai-chi (South China), 3. Lui Sik-chung (Chung Yung), 4. Saw Siu-nang (Confucian Club), 5. Cheung Wing-king (South China).

Ladies' Singles

1. Yeung Wai-bun (South China), 2. Chu Kow-um (South China), 3. Lai Chui-ying (South China).

RADIO TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres, (845 k.c.), 31.49 metres, (9.52 megacycles).

DANCE MUSIC FROM THE HONG KONG HOTEL Z.B.W. PROGRAMME

H.K.T. 12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme. 12.30—Gilbert and Sullivan, Excerpts. 1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report. 1.05—Prime Scala's Accordion Band. 1.20—Beuter Press: Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements. 1.40—Variety and Dance Music. 2.15—Close Down. 5.05 p.m.—European Programme. 5 p.m.—A Relay of Dance Music from the Roof-Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel. 6.30 p.m.—Light Opera and Musical Comedy. "Helen"—Vocal Gems (Herbert Offenbach, arr. Kornold). "Veronique" (Messager). "The Swing Song" (Trot here and there (Donkey Duet) Winnie Melville (Soprano) and Derek Oidhan (Tenor). "Tom Jones"—Selection (German). "Merrie England" (German)—Waltz Songs. "The Maid of the Mountains" (Fraser-Simson)—Love will find a way. Helen Esserman (Soprano). 7 p.m.—A Recital by Vladimir Horowitz (Pianoforte) and Eva Turner (Soprano). Pianoforte Solos— "Sonata in B Minor" (Scriabini)—Andante Mosso. "Sonata in A Major" (Scriabini)—Presto. Soprano Solos— "Aida" (Verdi)—O Patria Mia. "Il Trovatore" (Verdi)—D'Amor Sull' Ali Rosee. Pianoforte Solos— "Mazurka in E Minor, Op. 41, No. 2" (Chopin). "Danza Valse, Op. 12, No. 7" (Schumann). Soprano Solo— "La Toca" (Puccini)—Vissi D'Arte. 7.30—Closing Local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report. 7.35 p.m.—The Light Symphony Orchestra.

Dear Isle of Man (Haydn Wood). May Day Overture (Haydn Wood). Queen Mary's Song (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood).

Like to the Damask Rose (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood).

Shepherd's Song (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood).

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.05—A Relay from the Ko Shing Theatre (Chinese).

11 p.m.—Close Down. 8.05-11 p.m.—European Programme from Z.B.W. on a Frequency of 640 Kilocycles.

8.05 p.m.—A Programme of Variety.

Vocal—

A Marriage has been arranged Lancashire Lass... Turner Layton. Piano Duets—

Parade of the Tin Soldiers. Nola... Rawicz and Landauer. Vocal—

Did I remember... Gracie Fields. Cinema Organ—

Medley of old songs Leslie James.

Vocal—Going Home. Jack Savage and his Cowboys.

Instrumental—Speak Easy. The Eight Piano Symphony.

Banjo Solo—

Keyboard Kapers. Mandoline Solo—

Mazur... Marie De Pietro. Vocal—

Do the Runaround. My First Thrill. June Clyde (Soprano).

Orchestra—

(a) At Dawning. (b) The Land of the Sky Blue Water. Grey Lombardo and his Royal Canadians.

Vocal—

A Star fell out of Heaven. Sam Browne (Baritone).

Accordeon Solo—

Sedibul, one-step Arabes. Maurice Alexander.

8.55 p.m.—London—News Announcements.

9.15 p.m.—"Petroshka" (Stravinsky), played by the London Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Albert Coates.

1st Tableau—

The Mid-Lent Fair. (Continued) Russian Dance.

2nd Tableau—

Petroshka's Room. 3rd Tableau—

The Moor's Room. (Continued) Petroshka interrupts the Moor and the Bal-lerina.

4th Tableau—

The Fair towards evening. (Continued) Gypsies' Dance. Coachmen's Dance. Masked Beverly. Petroshka is slain. His ghost haunts the Magician.

9.48 p.m.—The Maestros. Acid Soas Songs (arr. Francis). Welsh Memories—Vocal Medley (arr. Francis and Francis).

10 p.m.—Dance Music.

11 p.m.—Close Down.



RESULTS TO DATE.

Waseda	2	Services
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Waseda	1	Navy
Waseda	1	Army
Waseda	1	Argonauts
Waseda	2	University
Waseda	1	Civilians

Goals For 10 Goals Against 26.

The Waseda team are leaving for Macau this morning and will play a match against that port in the afternoon. They will return to Hong Kong by the 3 a.m. boat tomorrow and in the evening will be entertained to dinner by the Hong Kong Hockey Association, after which they will board the a.s. Taiyo Maru and sail for home early on Wednesday morning.

COLONY RUGBY XV TAKING SHAPE

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Colony Skipper Optimistic

A. F. Walkden, the skipper of the Club first fifteen, thinks it is the strongest side that Shanghai will have yet entertained and added that they should do well in both their matches, against Shanghai in the Interport, and against the United States Marines, which will take place on February 13.

The Colony's best three-quarter at the moment, H. Bidwell, is on the injured list, and it is hoped that he will have completely recovered by next Saturday week, when the Club meet the Army in the last Triangular Tournament match of the series, by which time practically every vacancy in the Colony side should be filled.

The Club first fifteen have been undefeated this season, although the Combined Services gave them a scare last Saturday, when they were forced to share spoils, after being 10 points in arrears in a thrilling encounter.

The Colony Interport team will leave Hong Kong by the new French motor-vessel Eridon on February 7, arriving in Shanghai on February 10. They will return here by the a.s. Corfu, leaving Shanghai on February 16.

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ROTTERDAM PORT STATISTICS

Evidence Of German Trade Advance

Amsterdam, Saturday.

Striking indirect confirmation

of the improvement of German

foreign trade last year, parti-

cularly with overseas countries is

furnished by statistics just pub-

lished concerning the port traffic

of Rotterdam, which, as is well

known, handles a very large pro-

portion—in the case of coal ex-

ported by sea from Germany,

roughly at about two-thirds—of

the German export and import

trade of the Rhineland and the in-

dustrial territory, because of Rot-

terdam's favourable position at

the mouth of the Rhine delta.

In December of 1935 the num-

ber of sea-going vessels that berth-

ed in Rotterdam to discharge

cargo was 720, in November 1935

it was 791 while the number of

vessels that left the Port charged

with cargo was 630 in December

1935, 616 in November, 1935, and

701 in December, 1935.—Trans

Ocean.

TRADE STATISTICS

London, Saturday.

The League Secretariat has just

issued as volume "International

Trade in certain raw materials and

foodstuffs by countries of origin

and consumption 1935. This is the

first volume of the kind and gives

more suitable information regard-

ing the movement of trade between

countries than has been hitherto

available in the ordinary national

statistics of foreign trade. The

information relates to 42 countries

representing about 85% of the

total of world trade.—British

Wireless.

ALLEGED SOVIET LOAN TO OUTER MONGOLIA

Moscow, Saturday.

In connection with Moscow's en-

ergetic preparations to meet the

warlike complications in the Far

East, the Soviet Union has grant-

ed a loan of 11,000,000 roubles to

Outer Mongolia.

The loan will be given in the

form of road building material for

the construction of strategic com-

munications between Soviet Rus-

sia and Outer Mongolia.—Trans

Ocean.

GERMAN RED CROSS GRANTS HONOURS TO DIPLOMATS

Berlin, Saturday.

The Foreign Minister, Baron

von Neurath, yesterday presented

to the Argentine Ambassador, Mr.

Laboulaye and the Chilean Am-
 bassador, Mr. Porto Sequero the

Star of Germany and the Red Cross

Medal, which, as recently reported,
 had been conferred on them by

the President of the German Red

Cross Organisation.—Trans-Ocean.

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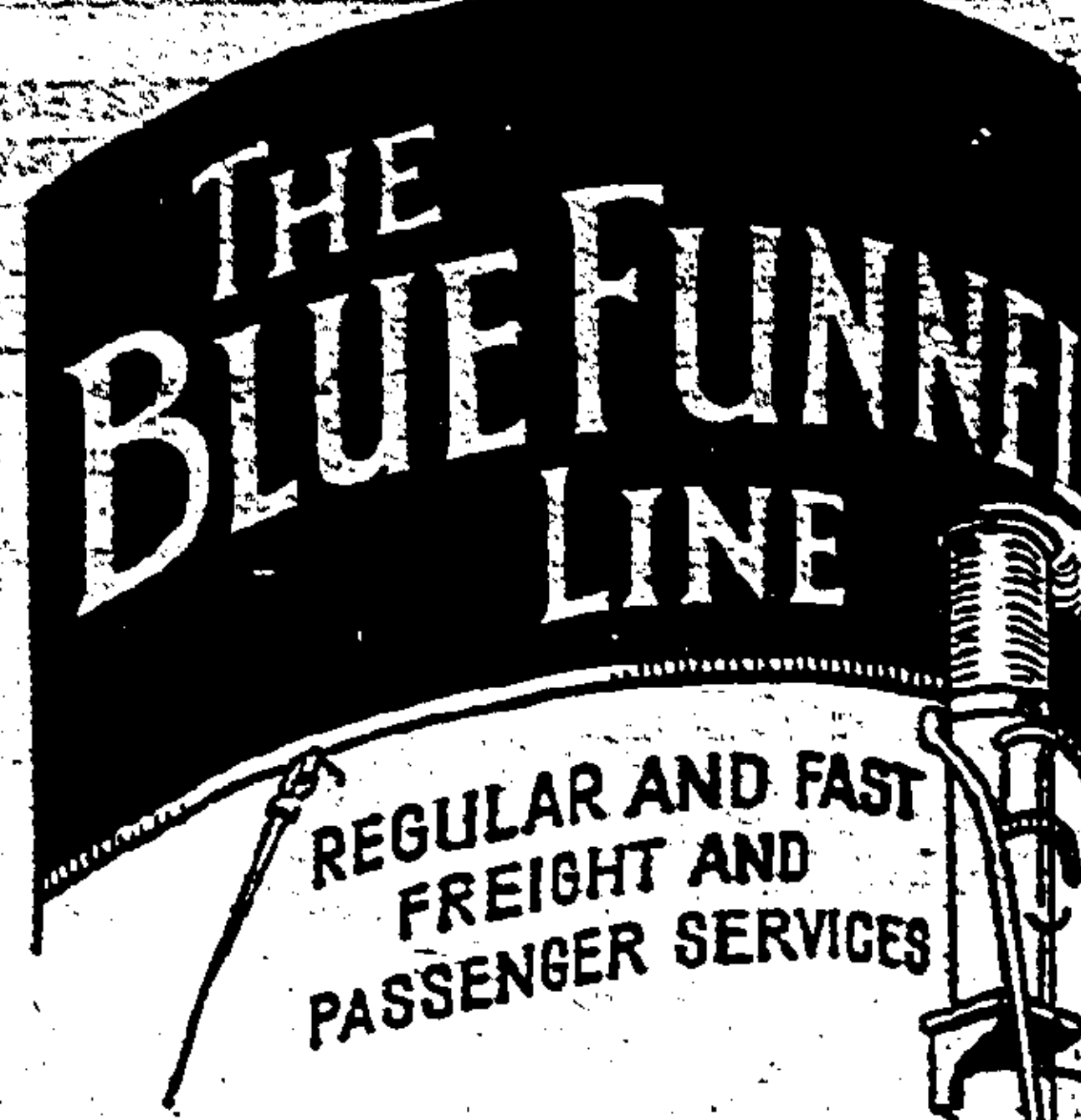
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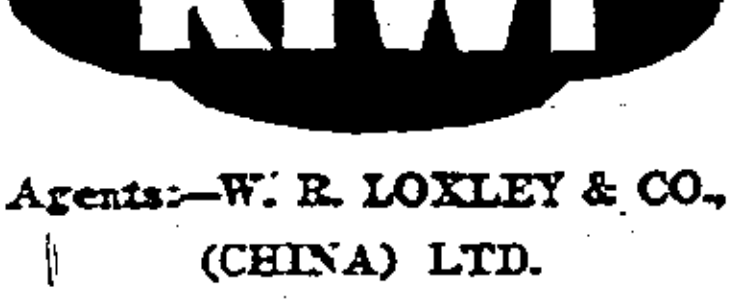


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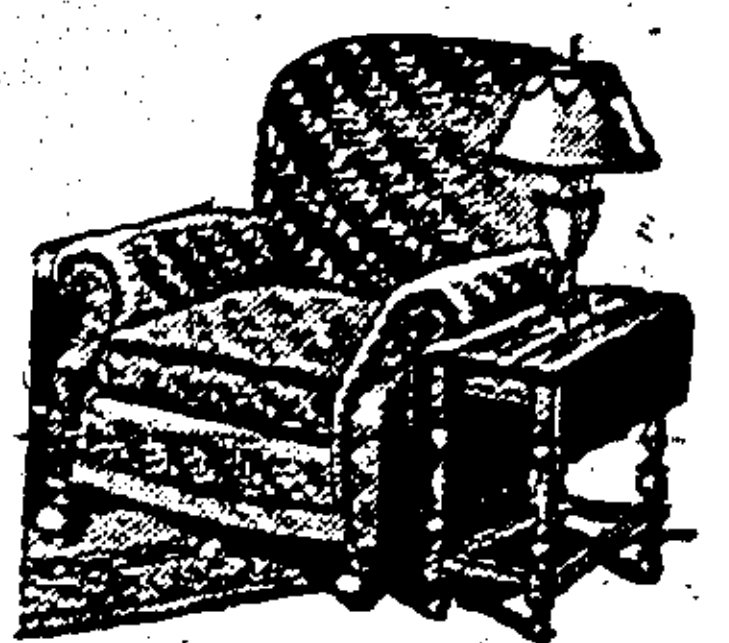
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The love of a jungle-born maiden for a white man, the first she had ever seen, is the background of this thrill-packed Paramount picture.

The stampede of a maddened elephant herd, a battle waged by manlike chimpanzees, and the charge of a tiger are some of the thrilling elements in "The Jungle Princess." Beautiful photography and splendid animal scenes make this romance one of the finest pictures of its type to reach the screen.

The role of the jungle maiden is played by Dorothy Lamour, radio star, and the man is Ray Milland. "She saves him from a man-eating tiger, takes him to her cave, and nurses him back to life. He learns to love her and she returns his love with all the ardour and passion of her primitive soul. But when she returns to civilisation with him they are confronted by Molly Lamont, to whom Milland is betrothed and it is only in the face of a fear-crazed horde of natives intent upon slaying them that Milland makes his decision between the two.

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"THE GOLDEN ARROW"—
STAR THEATRE

Bette Davis, with George Brent playing opposite her in the masculine lead, is now in the fast-moving First National comedy drama "The Golden Arrow."

In this picture Bette Davis gives a light comedy portrayal with a romantic twist, which involves also some dramatic moments.

Brent's role is also largely comedy, he, being a shy young reporter whose chief interest is a book he is writing but who finds time to fall in love with the blonde Bette after a series of misunderstandings and flirtatious entanglements which nearly break the course of true love.

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"MARY OF SCOTLAND"—
ORIENTAL THEATRE

A vivid chapter of historic drama depicting the colourful and tempestuous career of Mary Stuart is brought to the screen with lavish pungent realism in "Mary of Scotland," co-starring Katharine Hepburn and Fredric March.

Miss Hepburn finds her greatest role in the delineation of the glamorous Scottish queen's character. She is poignantly alluring in the love scenes with the gallant Bothwell, played by March. She commands your admiration when matching wits with the canny Queen Elizabeth played by the vibrant Florence Eldridge.

Fredric March is masterful as the Earl of Bothwell, presenting the most convincing performance of his successful career. He is the virile lover who made a queen forget her throne, her pride and future, to bask in his affections.

Mary Stuart's conflict with the treacherous Scottish lords; her marriage to her cousin, Lord Darnley, played by the able Douglas Walton, the murder of her secretary David Rizzio (John Carradine); Mary's romance with, and marriage to Bothwell; her flight to England, her long feud with Elizabeth and finally her execution; are high lights of this thrill-packed picture.

John Ford as director has brought the barbaric flavour of 16th-century Scotland convincingly to the screen.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

When To Make A Jump
Overcall

A jump overcall, of two in a suit (as two spades over an opponent's bid of one heart) shows a hand containing 3½ honour tricks or slightly more, with:

1. Two five card or longer suits. With such a hand a take-out double may lose a round of bidding, whereas a jump overcall makes it possible to show the first suit and the general strength of the hand with a single bid, and at the second opportunity to show the other suit.

2. A hand containing one strong suit, and in all eight winners.

The advantage of the strength-showing jump overcall is found in the following cases:

1. Suppose South bids one diamond and West, second hand, holds:—

S—A K 10 5 4
H—A Q J 7 5
D—6
C—3 2

If West doubles, East's response will probably be two clubs. West must then bid two spades and risk having the bidding dropped (though East may have support for hearts), or bid three spades, which forces him to a game contract even though East may have no support for either suit.

The jump overcall shows one of the two suits and gives the proper impression of strength at the same time. It asks for a light raise, yet retains the advantage of being able to pass short of game if partner has a blank.

Simple Counting

On many hands, good defence resolves itself down to so simple a matter as counting up to nine or ten. By this I refer to the fact that, in these cases, all a de-

"THE LAST OF THE
MOHICANS"—MAJESTIC
THEATRE

Randolph Scott, Binnie Barnes and Henry Wilcoxon head one of the greatest casts of stars ever assembled on the screen in "The Last of the Mohicans," film version of the immortal James Fenimore Cooper classic.

Also featured in important roles in this unforgettable story of glorious adventure, heart-stirring romance and thundering conflict for a nation yet unborn are Bruce Cabot, Heather Angel, Phillip Reed, Robert Barrat, Hugh Buckler and Willard Robertson.

Scott is seen as Hawkeye, the brave and handsome Colonial scout hero, beloved by the millions of readers of the book. Miss Barnes is cast of the glamorous Alice Munro, who is torn between love for him and loyalty to the gallant Major Duncan Heyward, played by Wilcoxon. Cabot has the role of Magus, the renegade Indian spy; Miss Angel is seen as the lovely Cora Munro and Reed plays Uncas, the young Indian brave who hopelessly worships her.

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Berlin, Saturday.

A delegation of four prominent officers of the British Air Ministry led by the Deputy Chief of the British Aviation Staff, Air Vice-Marshal C. L. Courtney, who are to spend six days on a visit to Germany as the guests of the Reich Ministry for Aviation, arrived at Berlin to-day at noon, landing at the Staaken Military Aerodrome.

The guests were received and welcomed by high officials of the Reich Ministry for Aviation, headed by the State Secretary and General of Aviation, General Milch.

In the course of their stay, the British officers will inspect various units of the German Air Forces in different parts of the Reich, flying schools and aviation academies, including those at Deebertitz, Juterbog, and Vandenburg. Should the weather not be propitious, the British guests will not make the round trip by aeroplane, but by motor-cars.

Finally, the German Aero Club will give a leave-taking banquet which will be attended by all the leading men of the German Air Force. The British officers will be returning to London on January 22.—Trans-Ocean.

fender need do is to count the tricks he can plainly see declarer will make against a certain line of defense. If that number will be fatal from the defenders' point of view, the defense must be aimed at another chance, no matter how remote! To-day's hand is a very simple example of how to count tricks.

North, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S—A 8
H—9 4 3
D—A K 7 6 4
C—A K Q

WEST EAST
S—K J 9 5 3 S—10 4
H—Q 8 H—K J 6 5 2
D—5 D—Q J 10 9
C—8 7 5 4 2 C—9 3

SOUTH

S—Q 7 6 2
H—A 10 7
D—8 3 2
C—J 10 6

The bidding:
North East South West
1 diamond Pass 1 no trp. Pass
2 no trp. Pass 3 no trp. [final bid]

West opened the five of spades, dummy ducked and declarer won with the queen. Three rounds of diamonds followed, East winning the third. Now it was up to East to take inventory. He could see that dummy's fifth diamond would become established after his [East's] last stopper should be removed and that declarer's in-sight tricks would thus come to: the spade already won and the ace to come; three diamonds and three clubs, — a total of eight. But [and that "but" was the crucial point of the reasoning] one of those tricks [the diamond still to be established] depended on the time element! If East could first establish three tricks for his own side, these in addition to his two diamond tricks would defeat the contract. The question, therefore, was simply where to look for those three tricks. His partner had led a spade and presumably that suit could be established by knocking out dummy's ace. But after that, how could West gain the lead? East would have no more spades to lead to him, and therefore unless West had the heart ace for immediate entry, declarer's tricks would be cashed first. Thus, on a spade establishment plan, West must hold the heart ace. To establish East's own heart suit, however, West could hold either one of two cards: the heart ace or the heart queen, an incomparably better chance!

So East shifted to the fourth highest heart, and declarer could never take more than eight tricks.

Question: I bid one spade as dealer, vulnerable on this hand:

S—K Q J 10 8 7 5 3
H—K 10 4
D—K
C—5

My partner said later I either should have opened with four spades, or passed. Who was right? Answer: Your partner was right.

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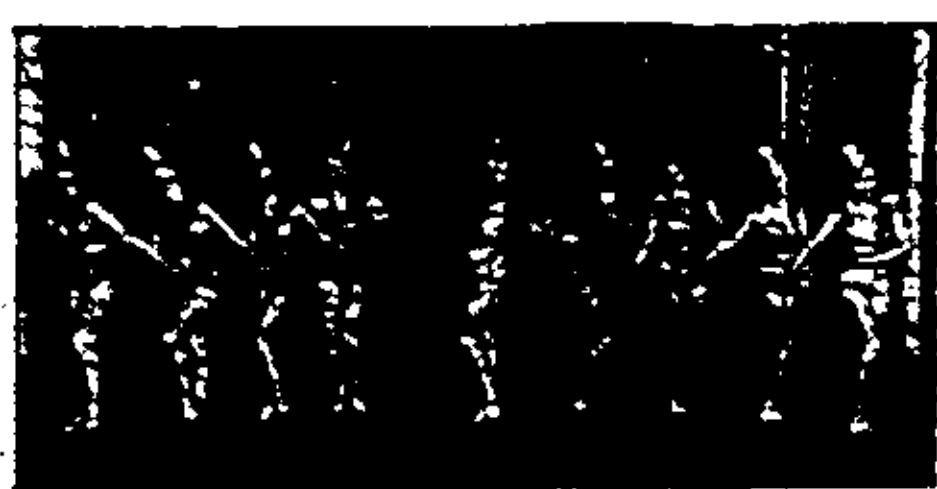
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WELDING OF TIES BETWEEN ROME AND BERLIN

ROME, TO-DAY.

"THE WELDING OF TIES BETWEEN ROME AND BERLIN MARKS THE BEGINNING OF A PROCESS OF CONSOLIDATION IN EUROPE," DECLARED SIGNOR MUSSOLINI IN AN IMPORTANT INTERVIEW GRANTED TO THE FOREIGN CORRESPONDENT OF THE NATIONALIST SOCIALIST ORGAN, "VOELKISCHER-BEOBACHTER."

When asked whether he believed this consolidation process would eventually lead to a United States of Europe, Mussolini replied in the negative, stating that such a development would represent Utopia, which is impossible from a historical, geographical and political viewpoints.

IMPORTANT FRENCH RESERVATION

REPLIES TO NOTE
ON VOLUNTEERS
SOVIET ATTITUDE

Paris, To-day.
The French Reply to the British Note regarding control of Volunteers for Spain was released by the Quai d'Orsay last night.

It says that France agrees with Britain as regards the need for banning Volunteers without waiting for a complete system of control of war material being sent to Spain.

It adds, however, that if, after the expiry of a reasonable period, the ban is shown to be impracticable, France reserves full liberty of action either in denouncing the engagements she has contracted or in organising international co-operation to make control effective.—Reuter.

SOVIET ATTITUDE

Moscow, To-day.
The Soviet reply to the British Note of January 9, regarding the banning of Volunteers to Spain, urges that as the insurgents have not agreed in principle to the proposals, a scheme of control be established without consultation with them, and that those Powers wishing to share in the control, should do so immediately.

It is also suggested that the period necessary for the establishment of control be 10 days.
The Note points out possible harm to the Spanish Government if any agreement remains unilateral, and adds that the Soviet Government, though not sending volunteers to Spain, would regard such an unilateral agreement as inexpedient.—Reuter.

SOVIET RESERVATIONS

Moscow, To-day.
The recent British proposals regarding the question of foreign volunteers in Spain has now been answered by the Soviet Union in a note dated January 15 and handed to the British Ambassador in Moscow, Lord Chilton. It was published yesterday.

The Note states that in principle, the Soviet Union is in favour of control of Spanish frontiers being established, but makes a number of reservations.

The Soviet Union takes the view that under the circumstances prohibitive measures would represent one-sided intervention in favour of the Burgos Government and points out that the Powers that are supporting General Franco have hitherto not given a clear and unconditional assent to the British proposals.—Trans-Ocean.

NALDERA TO SAIL TO-DAY

New Propeller At
Southampton

London, To-day.
The P. and O. liner, s.s. Naldera is sailing for the Far East at 1 p.m. to-day after fitting a new propeller.—Reuter.
An earlier message stated

Turning to the Anglo-Italian Mediterranean agreement and its possible effect on the Berlin-Rome agreement, Mussolini declared that contrary to any weakening effect, this agreement served to strengthen the Berlin-Rome axis.

"The agreement"—pointed out Mussolini—"relieved the growing tension and gave us several years in which to continue peaceful development during which time the work of securing peace will progress."

"It is the logical outcome of Italy's endeavours to preserve European peace, the Berlin-Rome agreement being another important step in this direction."—Trans-Ocean.

NEW HITCH IN MOTOR STRIKE

Fisher Body Workers
Carry On

INTERNAL FEUD

New York, To-day.
Fresh complications, a squabble between the strikers arising out of the union v. non-union dispute, threaten to undo the peace efforts in the motor strike at Flint, Michigan.

The sit-down strikers occupying the Fisher body-building plants have voted against evacuating their factories.

They claim that General Motors negotiated not with the unions but with the so-called "Flint Alliance," which was organised by non-union strikers in order to crystallise sentiment against the strike.

The cause of the trouble appears to be the insistence of Mr. John Lewis, that the Union of Automobile Workers should be recognised as the sole bargaining agency by all the General Motors workers.—Reuter.

GERMAN BISHOPS IN VATICAN

Discuss Church In
The Reich

Rome, To-day.
The Cardinal Archbishops of Munich, Cologne and Breslau as well as the Bishops of Berlin and Muenster were received by his Holiness the Pope yesterday morning in an audience lasting one hour.

The audience with the Pope was followed by an interview with Cardinal Pacelli, Secretary of the Vatican State.

These conversations, it is stated in circles in close touch with the Vatican, are said to have referred to the situation of the Catholic Church in Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

that 300 hundred passengers on the vessel were spending Sunday night aboard, in dry dock, as the vessel had arrived from London outward bound for the Far East, with a damaged propeller.

"Cheong Keng" Patients

Both Chin Cheung-keoh, chief officer of the Chinese customs cruiser "Cheong Keng," who was seriously wounded last week in the incident when Captain D. L. Campbell met his tragic death, and Chung Chi-cheung, the alleged assailant, are making good progress at the Kowloon Hospital and now expected to make a complete recovery.

MALAGA OFFENSIVE

2,000 KILLED AND
5,000 WOUNDED

Gibraltar, To-day.
The Insurgents have advanced a step nearer to Malaga by capturing the village of San Pedro Alcantara, near Marbella, according to a message from Algeciras, but later operations were temporarily suspended owing to stormy weather.—Reuter.

Salamanca, To-day.
The Rebel offensive on the Southern front has been going steadily forward and the fall of Malaga appears to be imminent. The city was bombed again yesterday and shelled by two rebel ships, the Almirante Cervera and the Canarias.

General Queipo de Llano, who is directing operations on the Southern front, ordered an advance of troops under cover of a barrage from the cruiser Canarias.

AIR ACTIVITY

Rebel flyers are participating actively in the attack and it is reported that two attempts on the part of Reds to dynamite bridges and so hinder the rebel advance were frustrated by aviators who flew low and peppered the squad with machine gun fire.

It is reported that the losses have been extremely high in the present campaign, it being estimated that 2,000 have been killed and over 5,000 wounded.

MADRID FRONT

The front is gradually closing in on Madrid according to a military bulletin issued on Saturday, the western sector now extending unbroken from Villanueva del Pardillo to Las Rozas.

Air bombardments of the city are increasing in violence and many of the principal streets are now dotted with shell holes and even underground railway tracks have been torn up by the bombs.

An aerial attack on Alicante resulted in the destruction of an armed munitions train and the sinking of a ship in the harbour.

STEAMERS CAPTURED

It is announced that rebel cruisers captured three Soviet steamers in the Straits of Gibraltar and forced them to put into Ceuta harbour. Only one has since been freed.

In his Sunday evening radio report, General Queipo de Llano, stated that loyalist petroleum tankers carrying cargo worth 16,000,000 pesetas have been captured by two rebel warships.—Trans-Ocean.

MADRID CLAIMS

Paris, To-day.
Twenty-five aeroplanes belonging to the Burgos Government were shot down by the Republican Air Force in December, according to a report issued by the Valencia Government, which states that their own Air Force lost only five planes.—Trans-Ocean.

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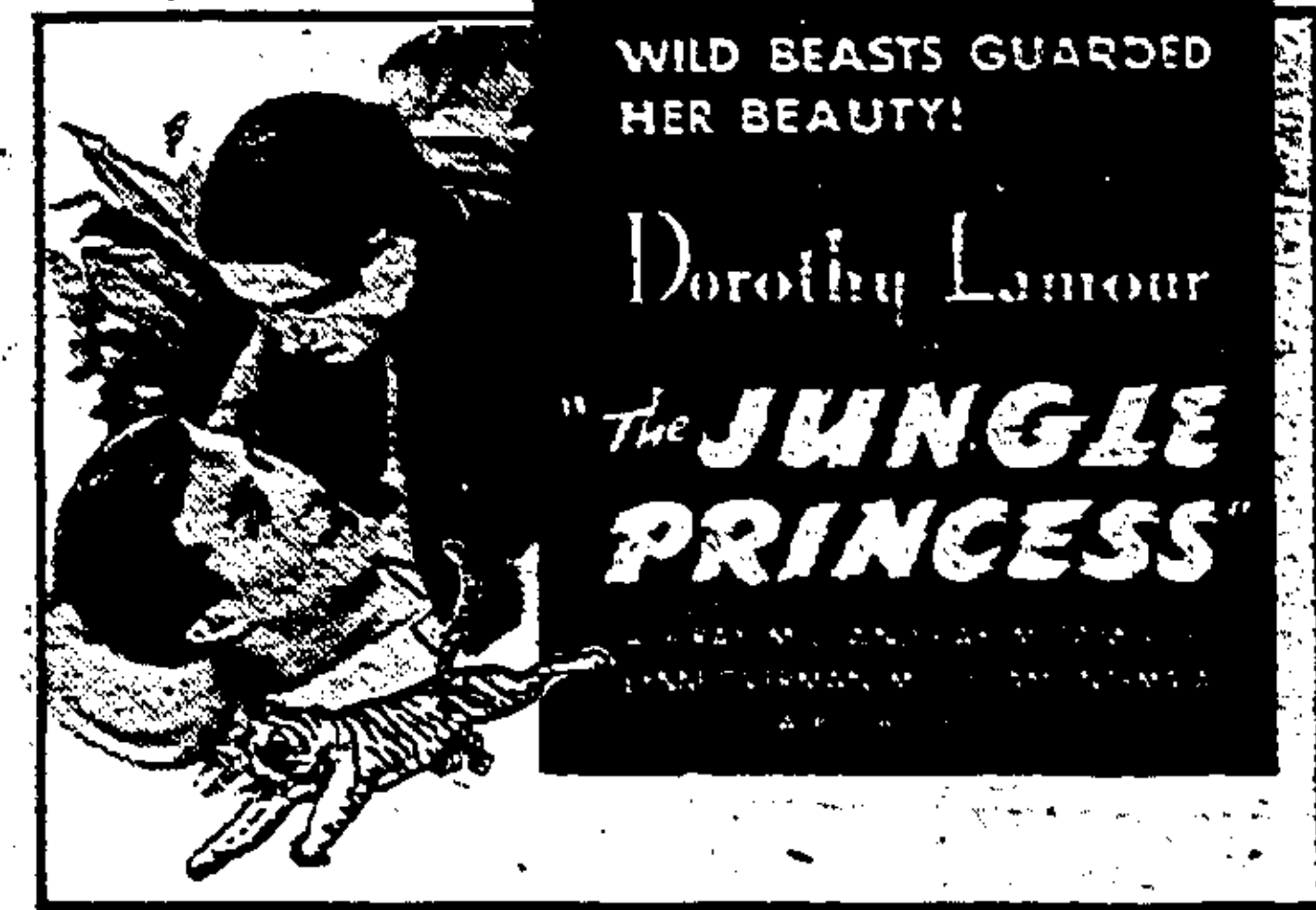
Brindisi, To-day.
The Imperial Airways flying-boat Centaurus, carrying the first passengers and mails ever flown direct from Britain to countries of the Empire, arrived here yesterday after an excellent flight.

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